

Chesapeake Bay Program Phase 6 Watershed Model Webinar

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Partnership Feedback on Modeling

- **Water Quality Goal Implementation Team**

- Need more transparent and easier to understand decision-support tools to enable successful engagement of local partners

- **Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee**

- Multiple Models
- Phosphorus
- Conowingo
- WSM and WQSTM reviews coming



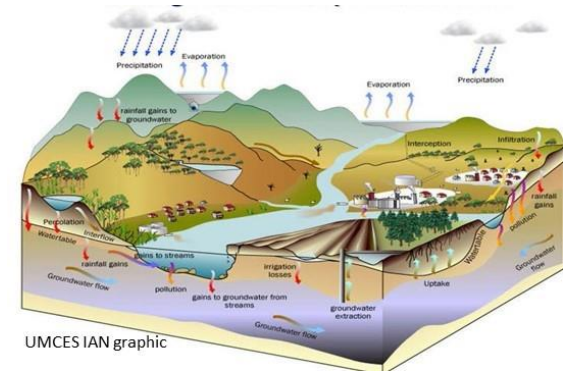
Goals for Phase 6

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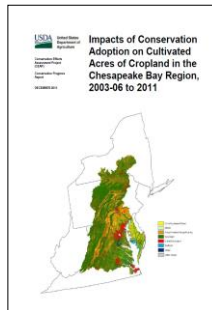
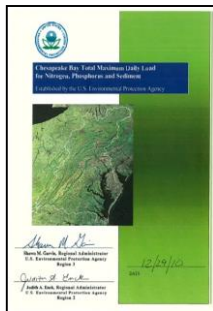
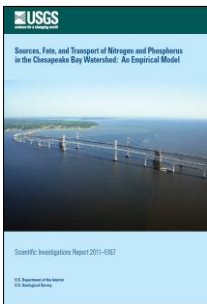
Simple explanation
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Build upon Current Knowledge

Refined Geographic Scale



Multiple Models



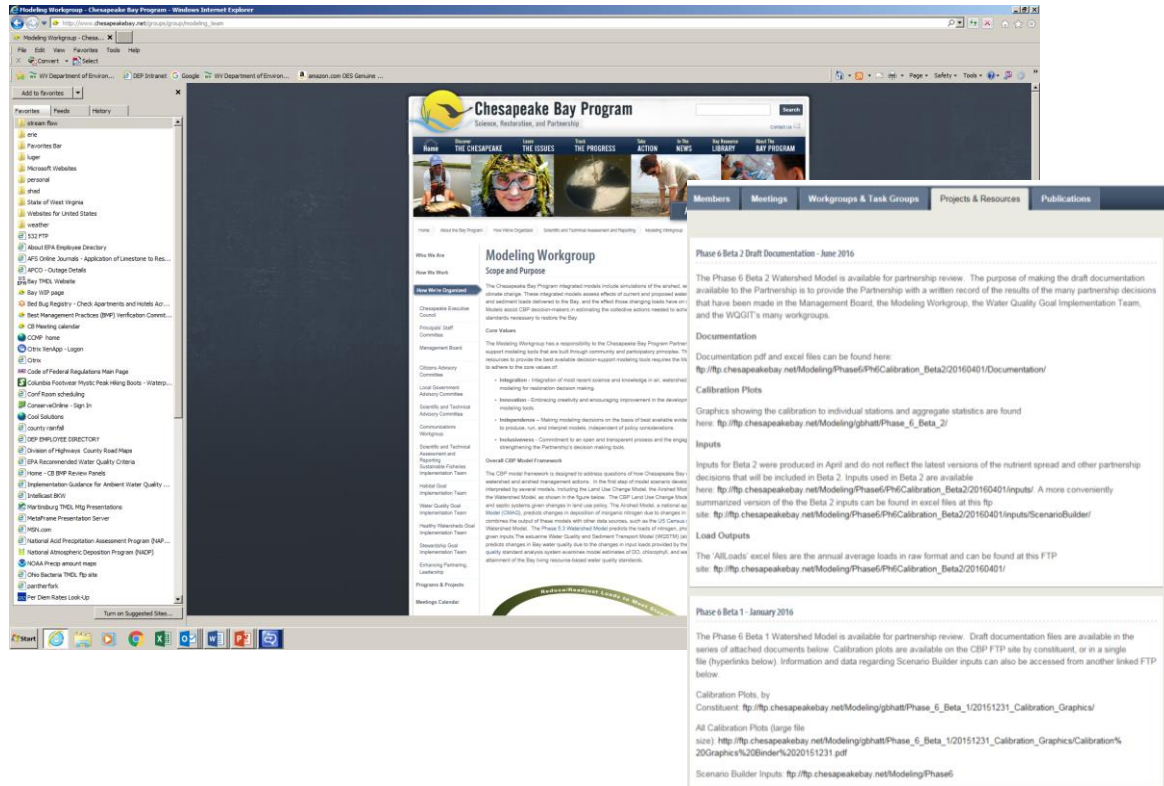
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Phase 6 WSM Improvements

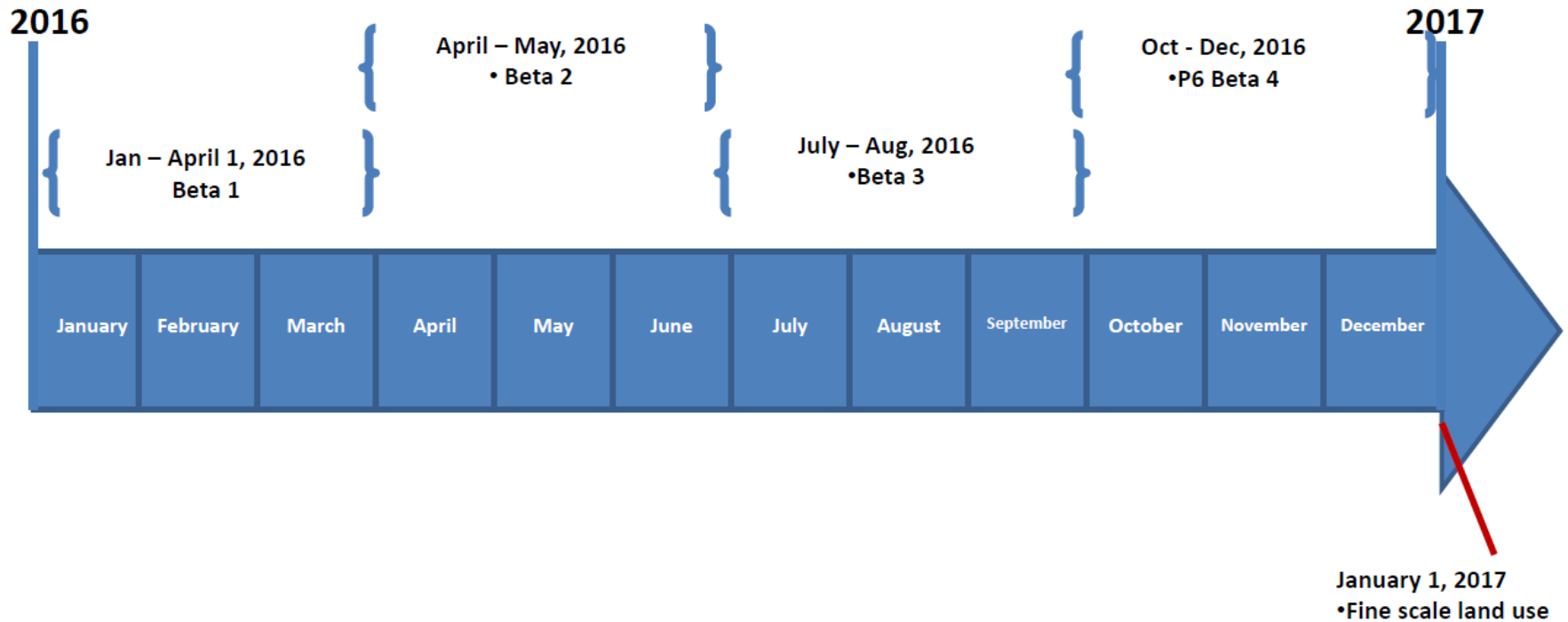
- Extended simulation time period
- More stations and many more observations
- New land uses and relative loading rates from WQGIT WGs
- Improved inputs
- Inclusion of loading lag times
- More transparent N simulation
- New TP simulation approach
- Conowingo simulation
- Reduced dependence upon Regional Factors

Documentation



- See MWG Webpage
- http://www.chesapeakebay.net/groups/group/modeling_team
- Will be periodically updated
- Webinars here too

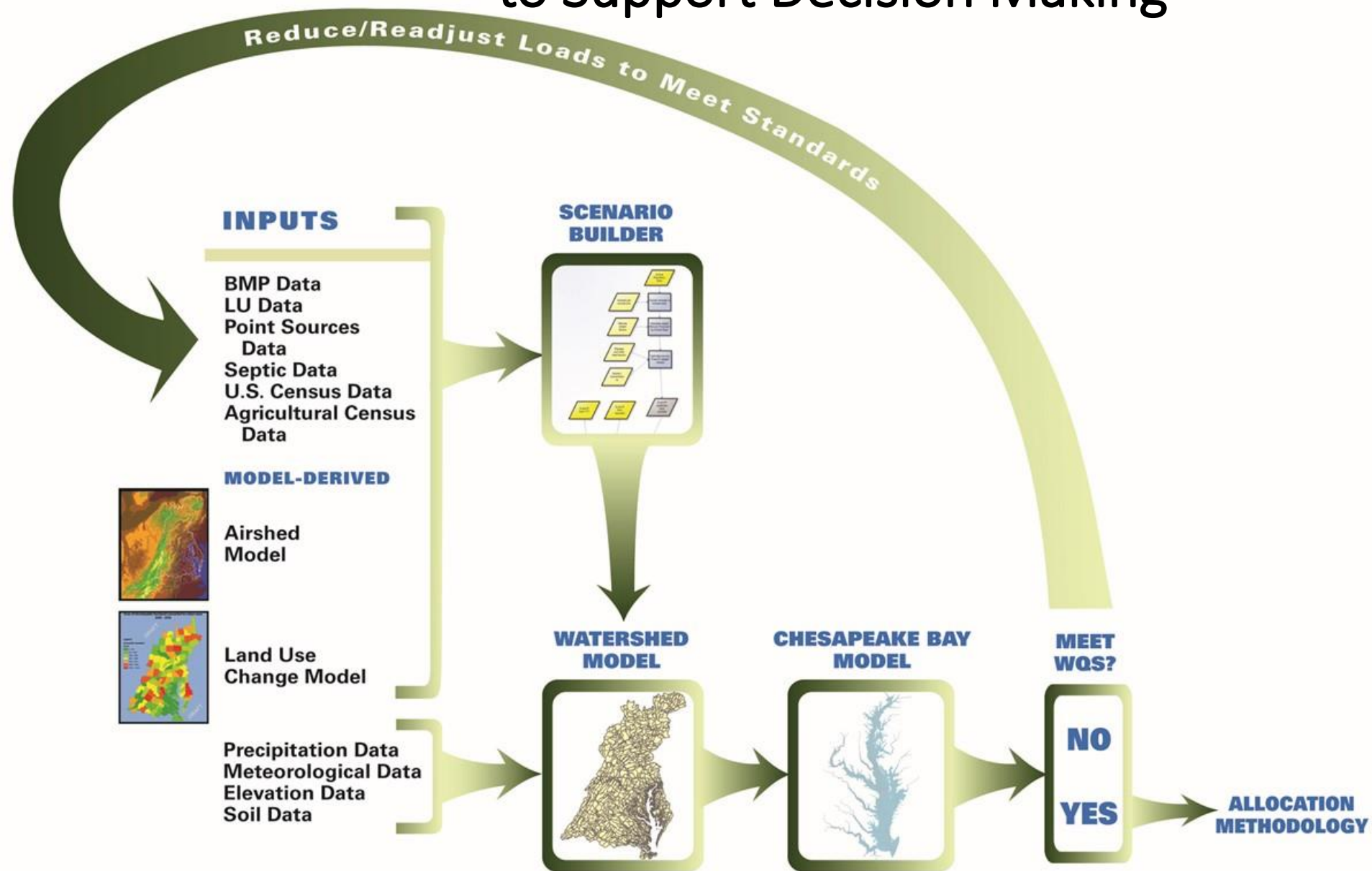
2016 Phase 6 Model Review Timeline



Reviews

- STAC Reviews
 - Scenario Builder / Nutrient Inputs (summer)
 - Watershed Model (fall)
 - Estuarine WQSTM (winter)
- Partnership Review
 - Started with 2012 WQGIT F2F and BBBM workshop
 - Continual work in MWG, WQGIT, and all WQGIT WGs
 - Prototypes and Beta versions
 - Beta 4 will have all changes except for land use
 - Final model review April – May 2017
 - WQSTM being reviewed by MWG during this period

Chesapeake Bay Partnership Models to Support Decision Making



Phase 6 Model Structure

Average Load + Δ Inputs * Sensitivity

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Land Use Acres

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BMPs

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Land to Water

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Stream Delivery

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River Delivery

Direct Loads

Phase 6

Multiple models

Multiple Lines
of Evidence
And multiple
models

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River Delivery

Estimated with Sparrow
Estimated by Land Data team

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Estimated by USGS / WVU /
land data team

Simulated in HSPF
Calibrated with data, WRTDS, and Sparrow

Scenario Builder

Setting

Calculation

Science Quality

Delivered Load from a land use =
Avg No BMP Nutrient Load

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Sensitivity * Change in Inputs

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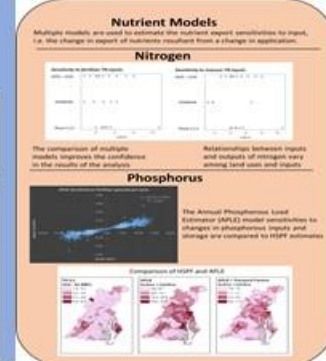
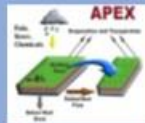
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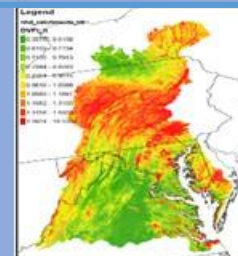
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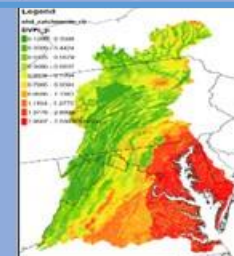
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SPARROW
For nitrogen:
Soil, vegetation,
and climate variables



SPARROW
For Phosphorus
Soil, slope,
and climate
variables



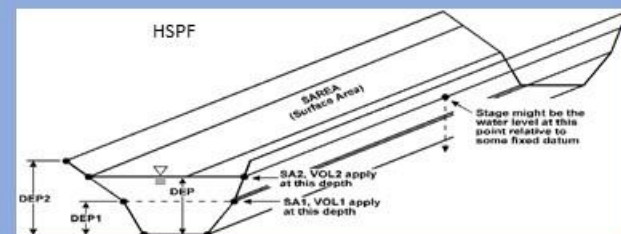
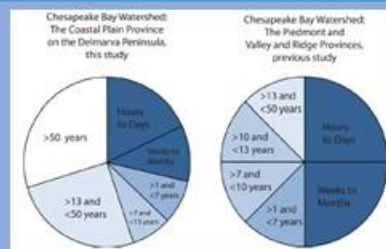
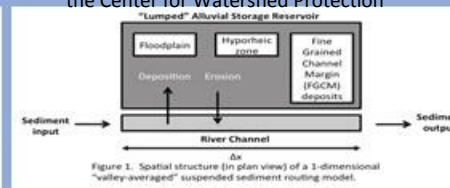
Effect of BMPs




Sparrow



Potential models from USGS and the Center for Watershed Protection



On-Line Tools



Chesapeake Assessment Scenario Tool

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Dauphin County Summary Results

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Total Loads

Load Type	Lbs Nitrogen Edge of Stream	Lbs Nitrogen Delivered	Lbs Phosphorus Edge of Stream	Lbs Phosphorus Delivered	Lbs Sediment Edge of Stream	Lbs Sediment Delivered
Landuse	6,513,592.7	5,271,385.8	197,995.9	76,354.8	137,419,842.9	53,823,104.8
Septic	141,079.6	114,690.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Waste Water and Combined Sewer Output	1,487,025.4	1,236,710.8	216,146.1	83,354.6	12,325,864.3	4,827,660.2
Total:	8,141,697.7	6,622,787.1	414,142.0	159,709.4	149,745,707.2	58,650,765.0

Total Annualized Costs

Sector	Total Annualized Cost
Urban Land	
Septic	



Maryland Assessment Scenario Tool

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2017 Interim Caroline Summary Results

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Descriptions: Caroline County selected from 2017 Interim Strategy public scenario
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Septic	66,688.0	62,763.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Waste Water and Combined Sewer Output	40,925.4	39,451.0	5,367.4	5,229.9	130,851.3	136,206.5
Total:	1,923,419.7	1,749,829.7	141,708.0	133,846.4	14,645,497.4	16,529,259.6

Total Annualized Costs

Sector	Total Annualized Cost
Urban Land	\$14,697,402
Septic	\$1,070,561
Forest Land	\$36,180
Agricultural Land	\$12,104,470
Animal Manure	\$1,964,703
Total:	\$29,873,316



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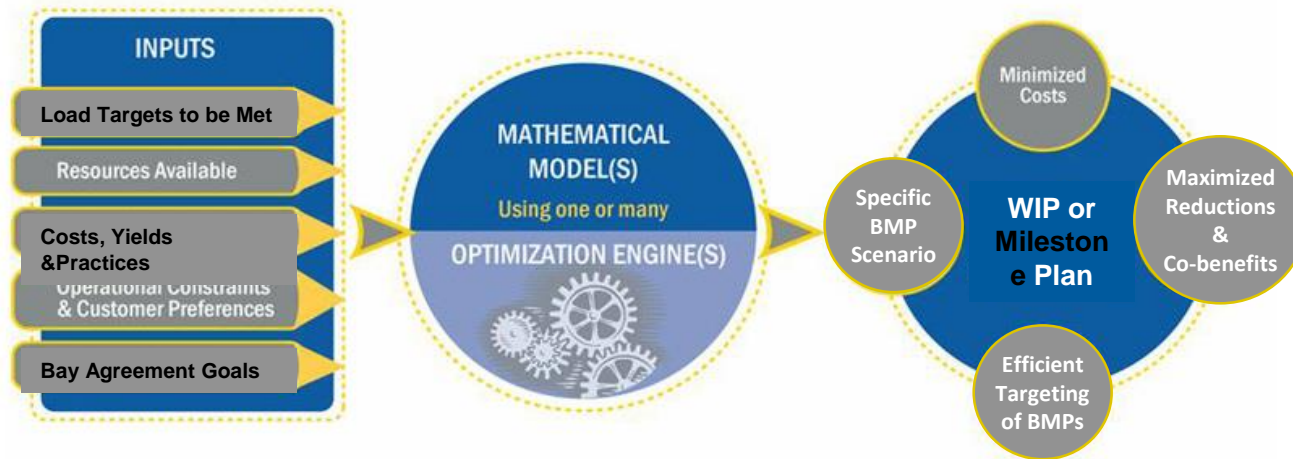

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OPTIMIZATION Calculation Engine

Users input objectives, tool outputs BMPs in the plan that maximize effectiveness at minimum cost.

“Cracking the WIP”
Designing an Optimization Engine to Guide Efficient Bay Implementation
A Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee Workshop

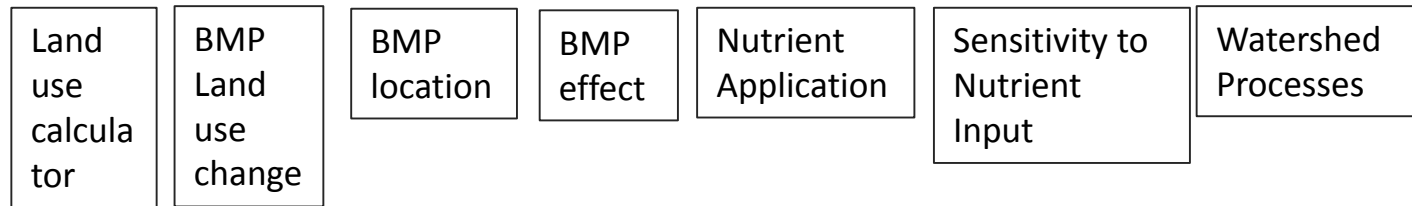


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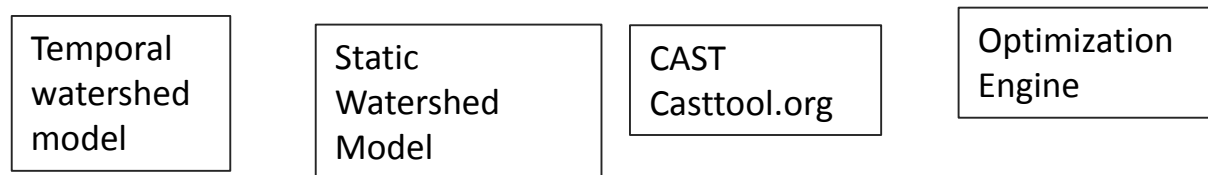
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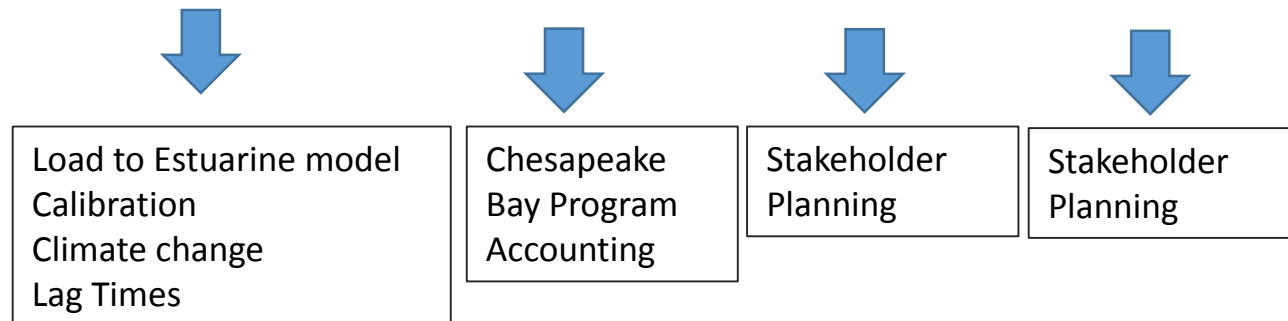
Logic Engines



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'Phase 5 Scenario Builder'

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River Delivery

Direct Loads

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Phase 6 Model Documentation

Section 1:
Overview

Section 2:
Average
Loads

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Section 3:
Inputs

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Section 4:
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Section 5: Land Use

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Section 6: BMPs

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Section 7: Land to Water

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Section 9: Stream Delivery

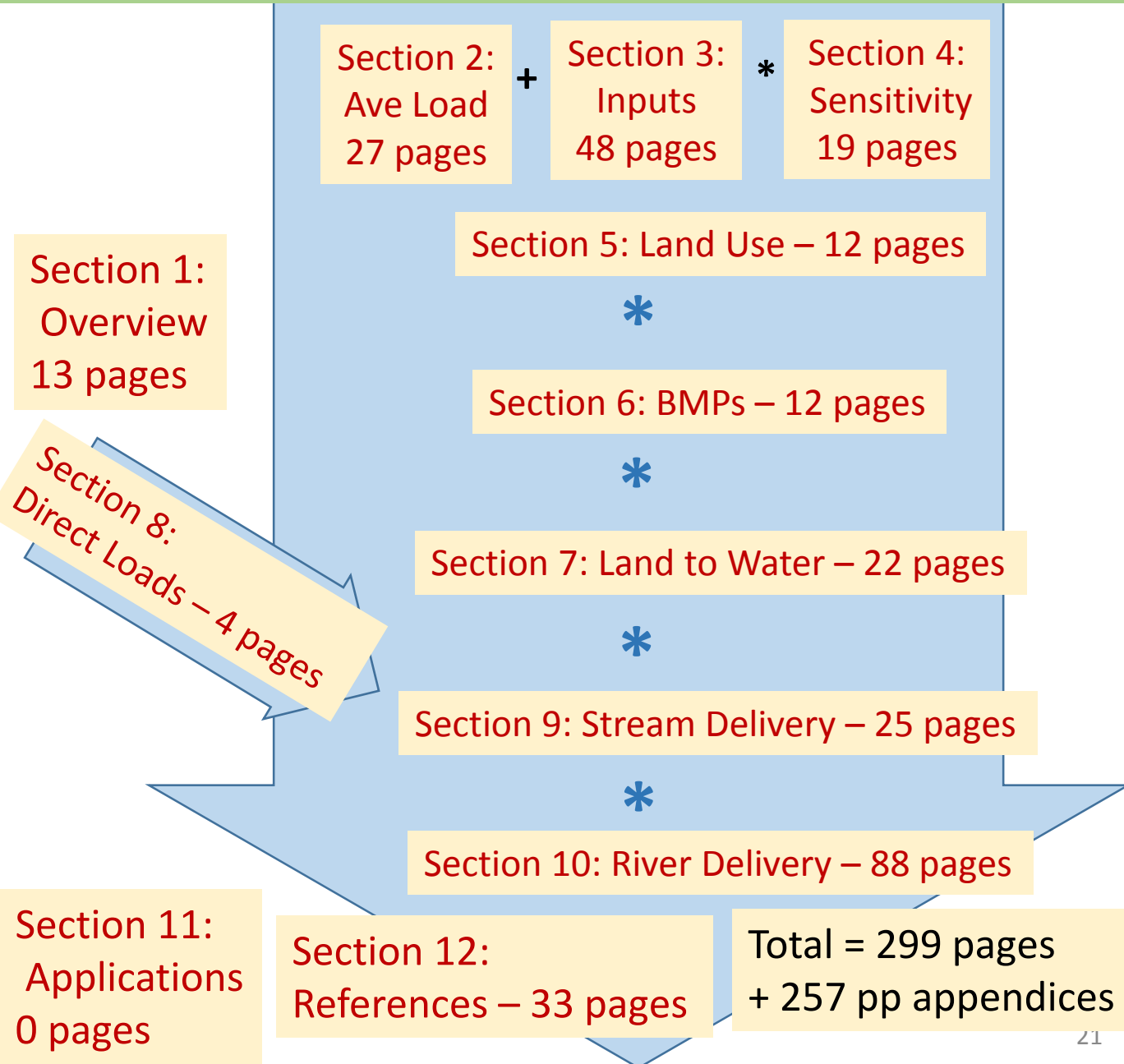
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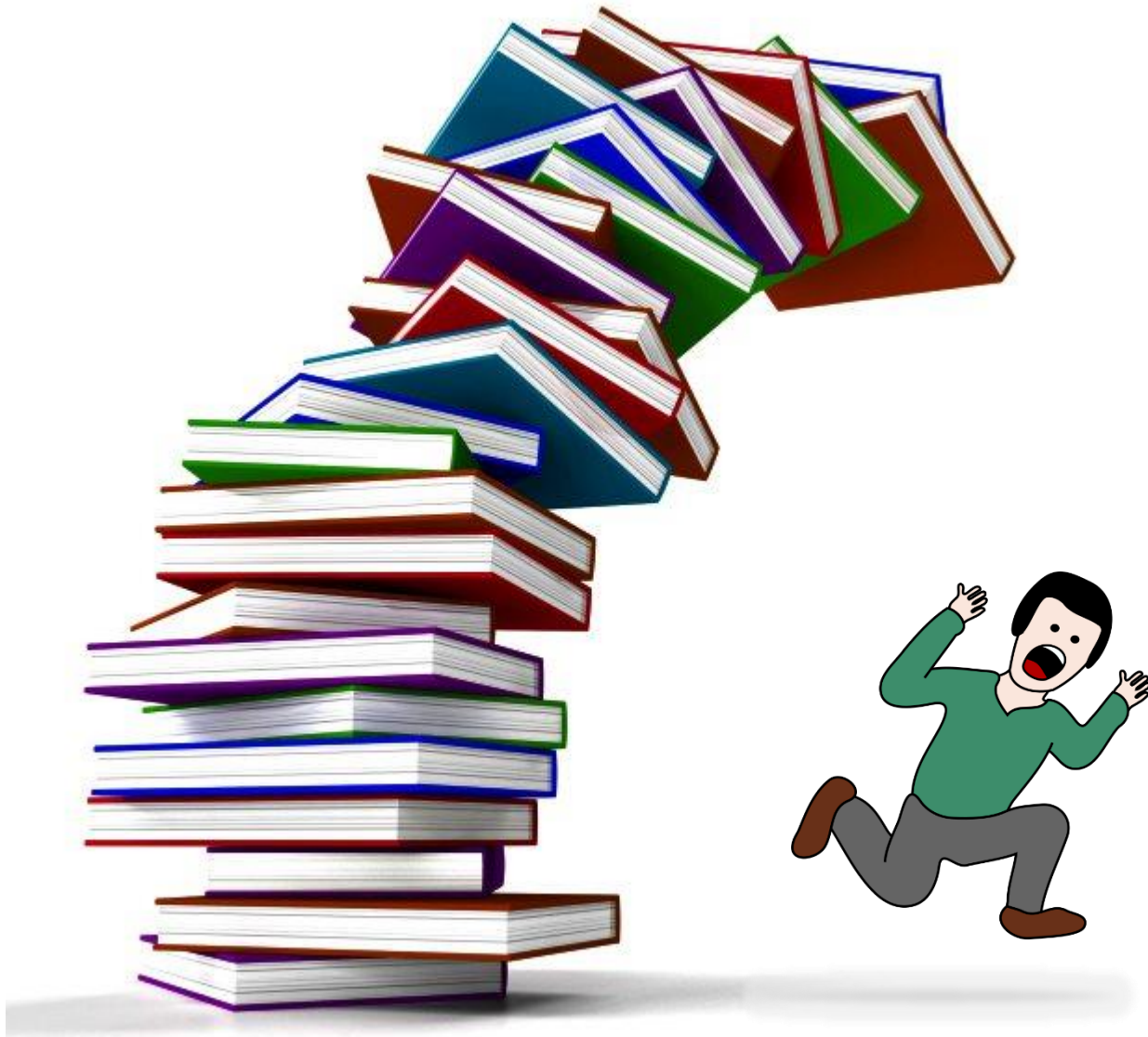
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Review Strategy



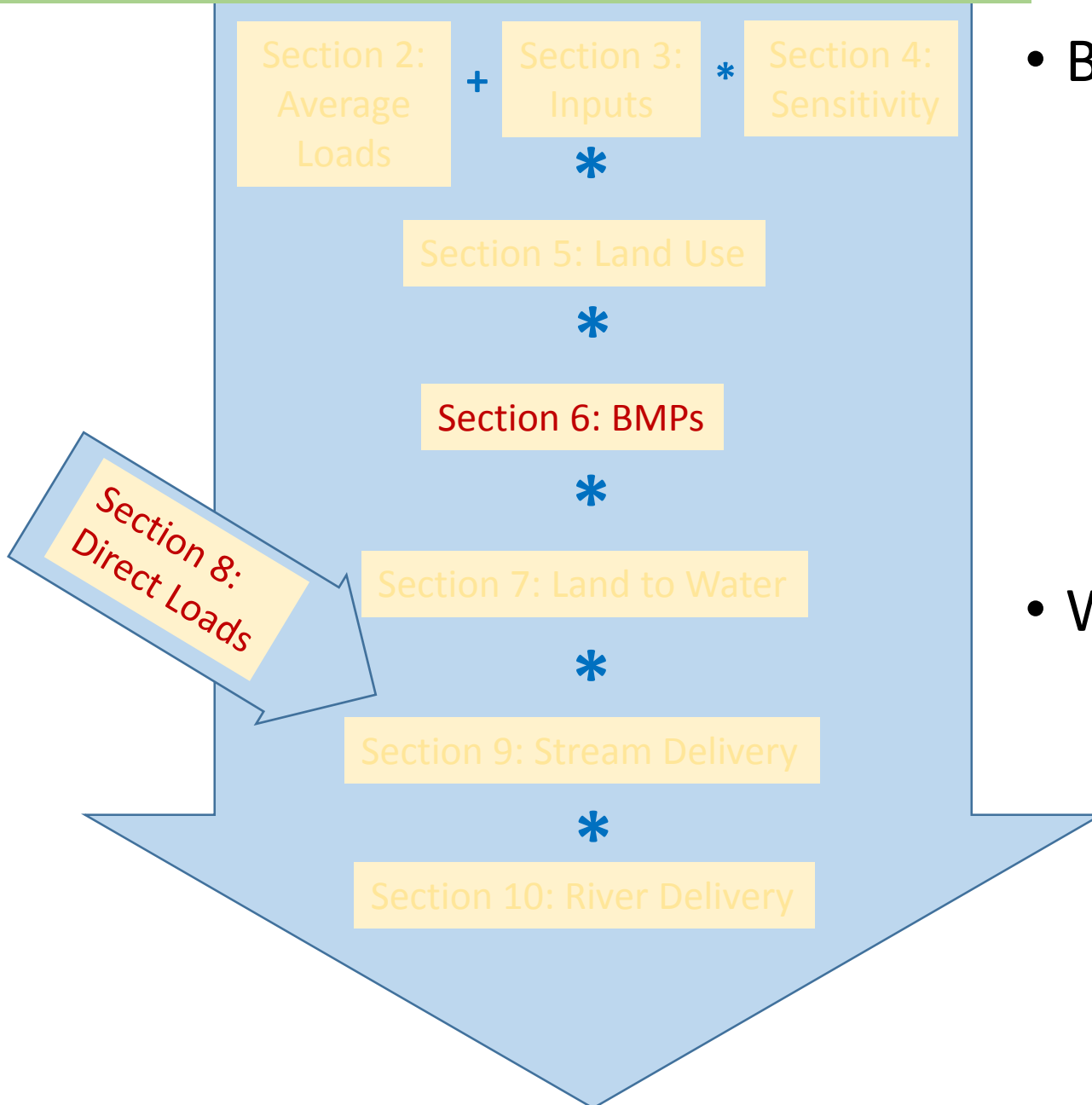
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- Target Chapters and Sections that are important to you
- Main Prediction of CAST for decision support:
Change in Anthropogenic Load
 - BMPs
 - WWTP
 - Land use Change
 - Response to Change in inputs

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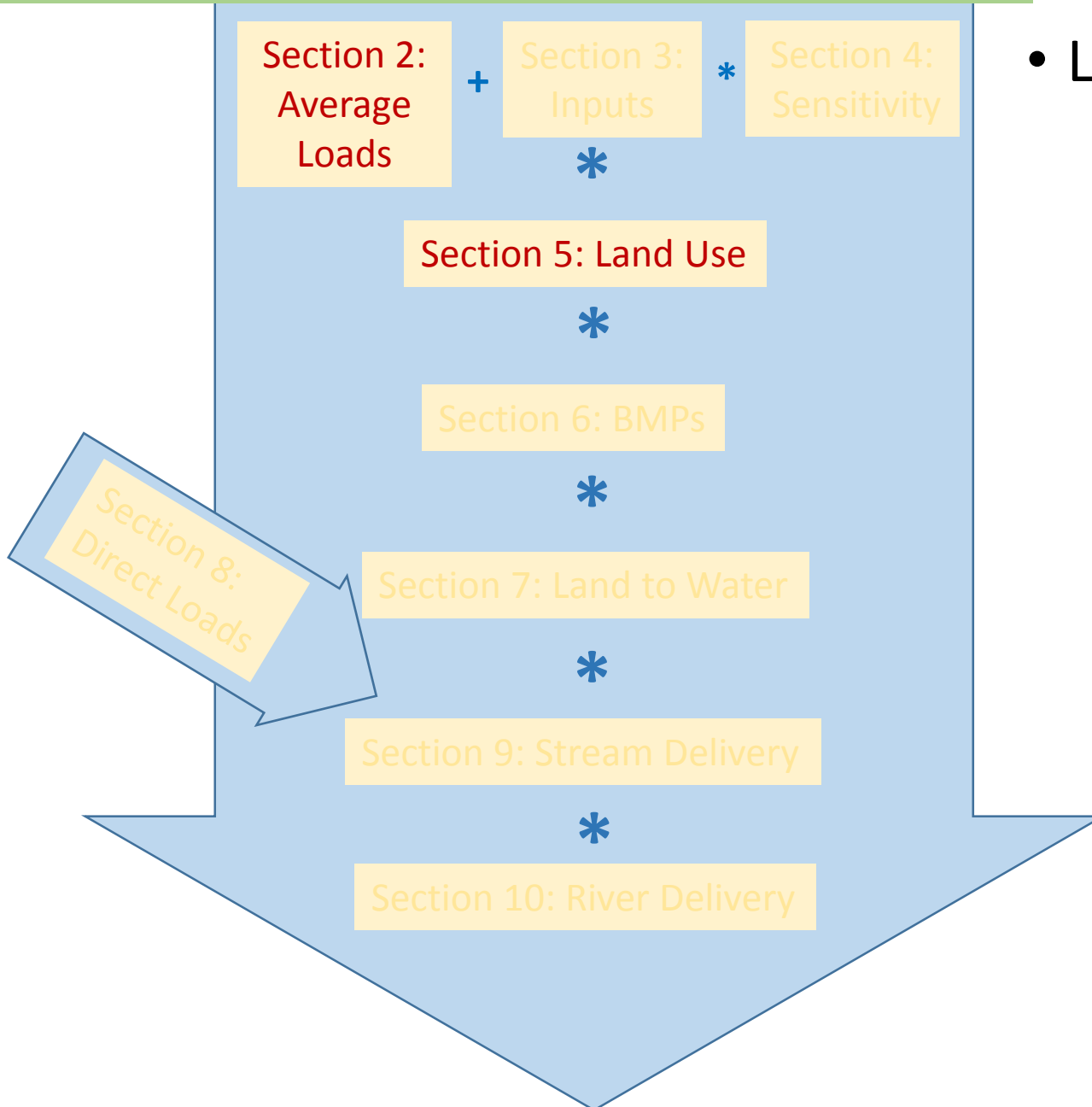
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- Target Chapters and Sections that are important to you. – or – talk to someone on the relevant workgroup
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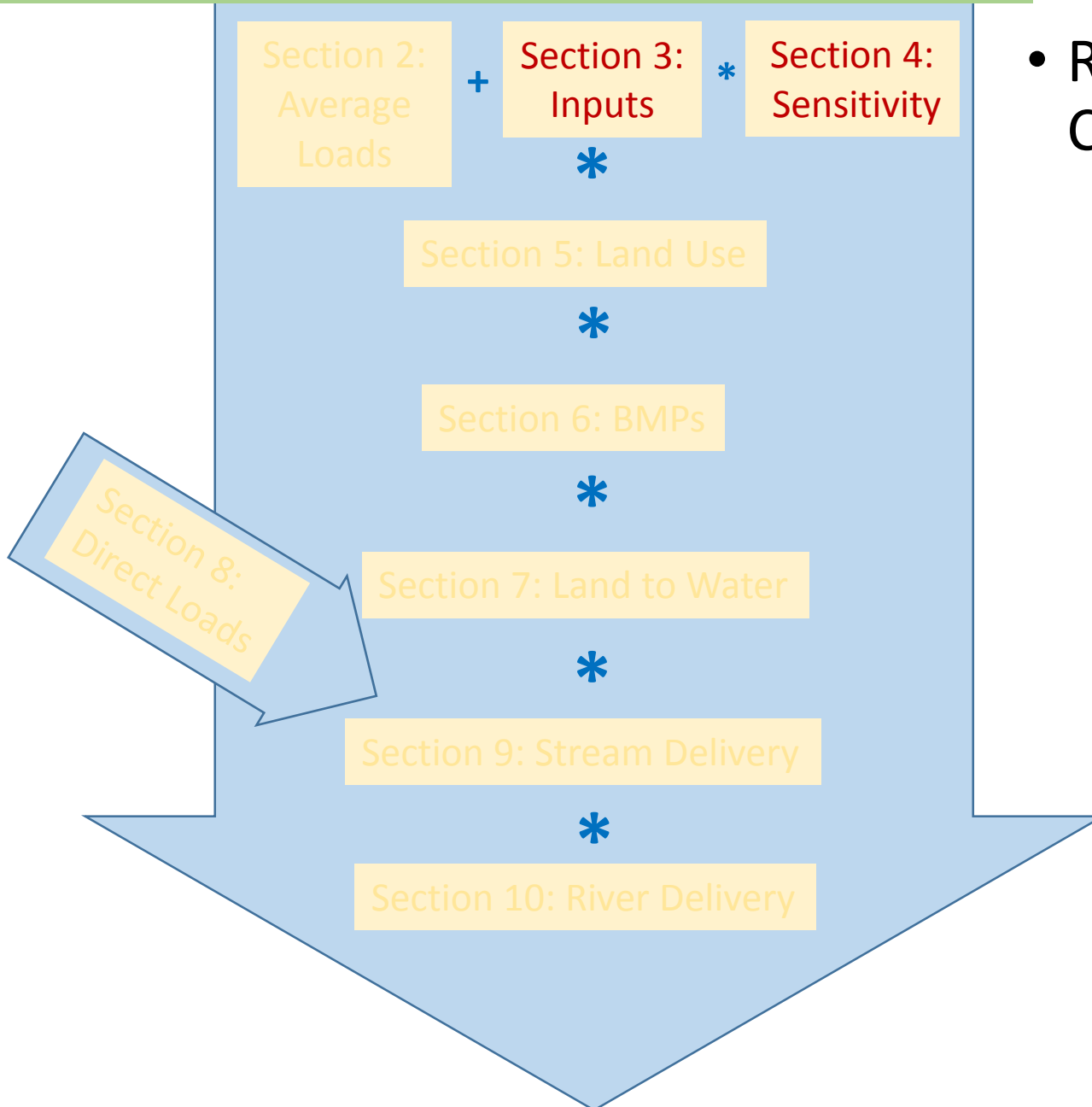
- BMPs
 - Section 6 BMPs
 - Separate review process for effectiveness
 - Can review application method
- WWTP
 - Section 8 Direct Loads
 - Submitted Data

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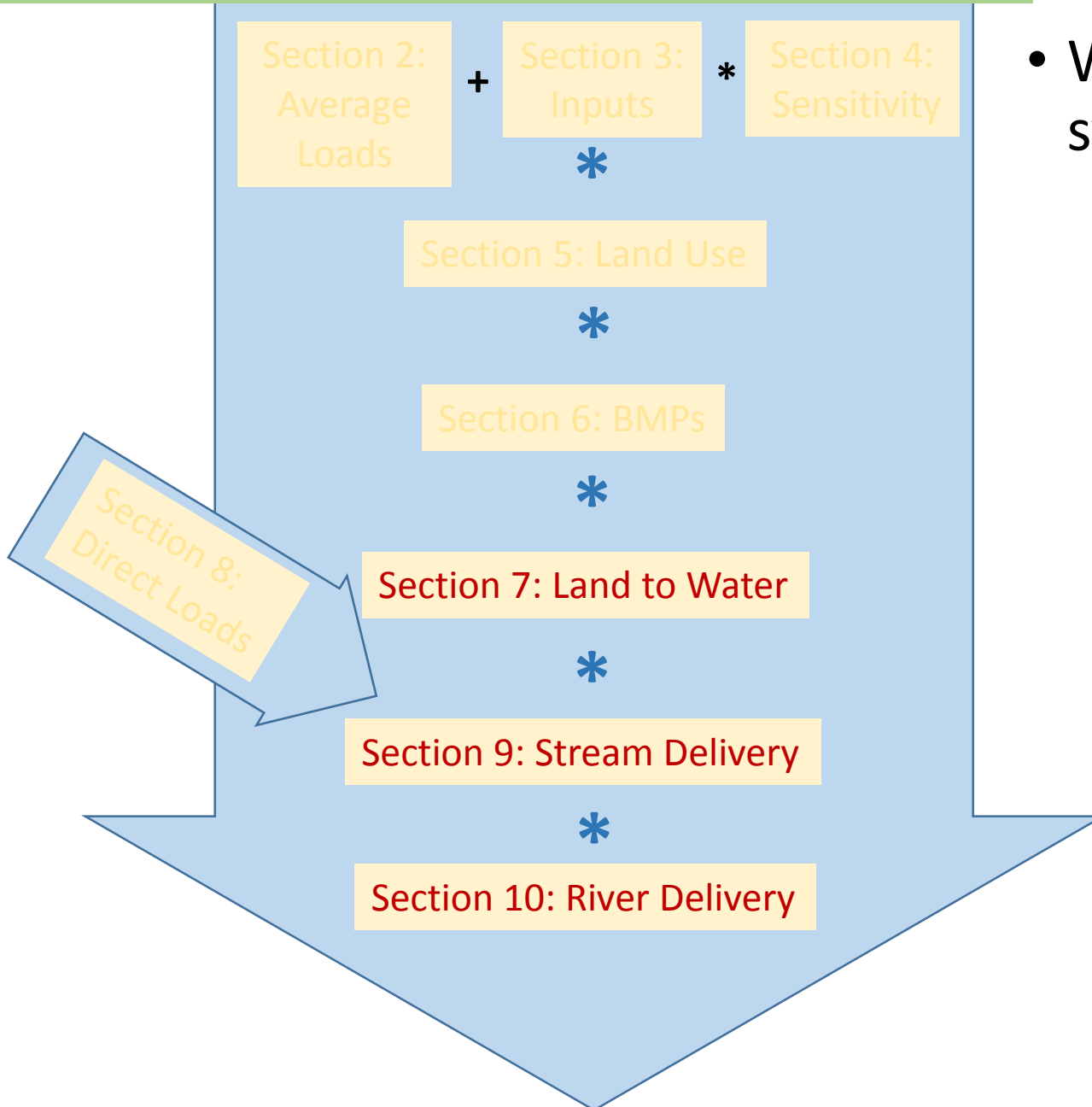
- Land use Change
 - Section 5 Land use
 - Not final
- Section 2 Average Loads
 - Modeling workgroup
 - WQGIT workgroups

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- Response to Change in Input
 - Section 3 Inputs
 - ‘scenario builder’
 - WQGIT workgroups
 - Section 4 Sensitivity
 - Modeling workgroup

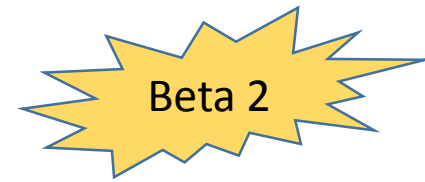
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- Watershed Delivery system
 - Spatially distribute loads
 - Check for agreement with monitoring data
 - Modeling workgroup

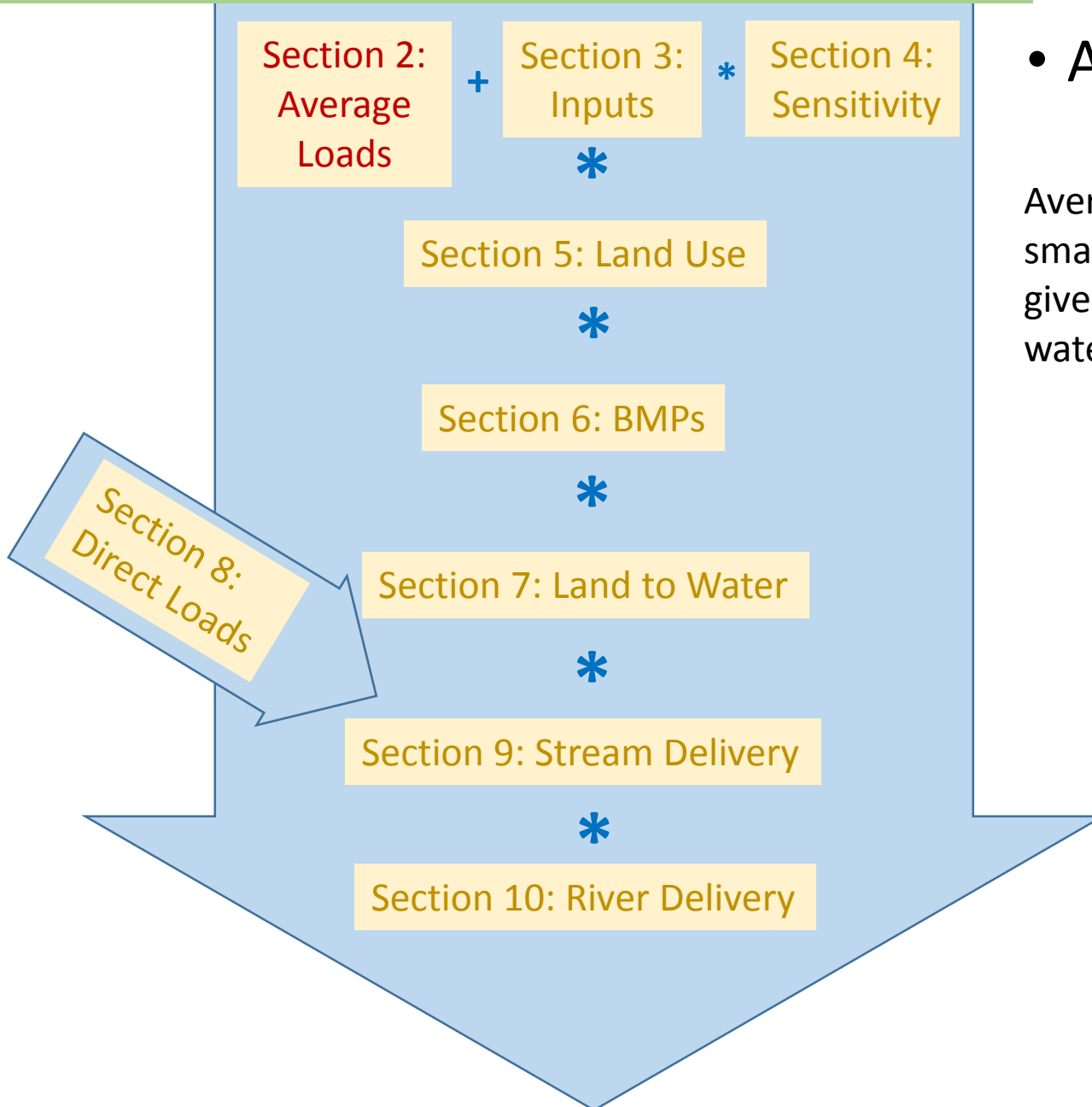
Major refinements

Beta 1 => Beta 2



- Extreme flow events
- Sediment overhaul
- Updated physical watershed data
 - Land to water
 - Stream to river
 - Small reservoirs
 - Groundwater nitrate lag
- Updated input data
 - Point source correction
 - Monitoring data

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- Average Loads

Average Loads – Average edge-of-small-stream loading rate for a given land use for the entire CB watershed

Beta 2

Average Loads



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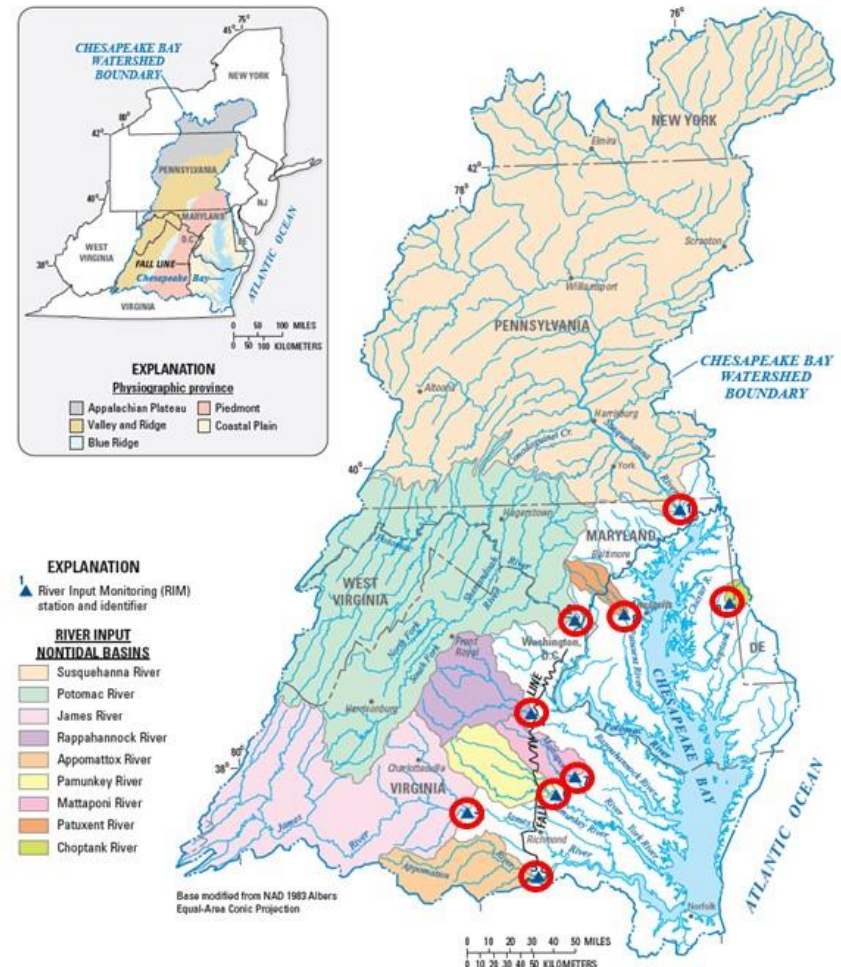
Estimate Total Non-point Source

Modeling Workgroup

Monitoring Data

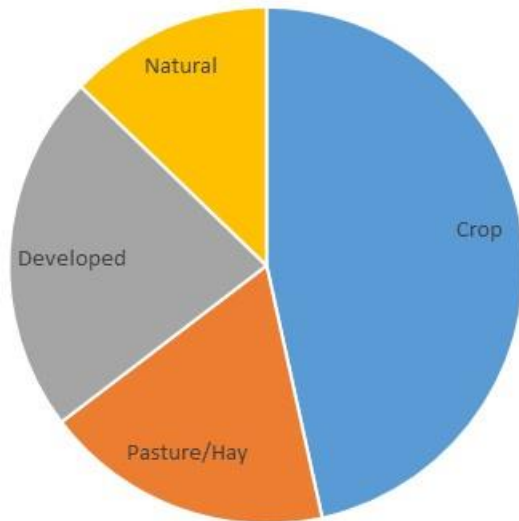
subtract point source

divide by river transport



Average Loads

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Divide into Broad Classes

Modeling Workgroup

Multiple models

Phase 5.3.2

Sparrow

CEAP

Divide into broad classes -- Nitrogen

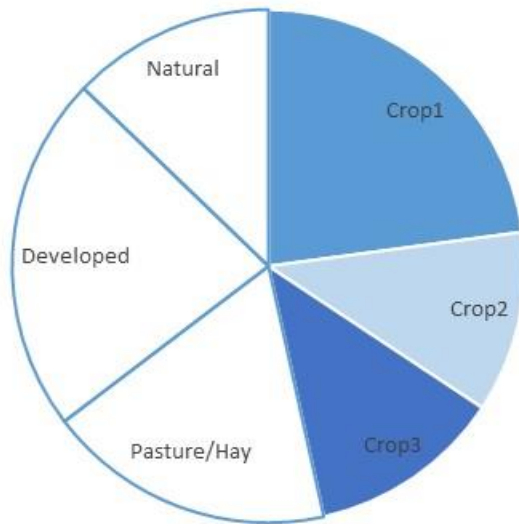
Sector	Crop	Pasture/ Hay	Developed	Natural
Acres*	4,361,964	5,156,450	5,289,606	24,788,695
P532 Export Rate (pounds per acre)	47.5	19.9	19.4	4.2
CEAP Export Rate (pounds per acre)	42.5	10.2	Not used	1.6
SPARROW Export Rate with BMP effects removed (pounds per acre)	22.9	10.2	8.9	0.4
Average Ratio to Crop Rate	1.00	0.37	0.40	0.05
Average Sector Export Rate (pounds per acre)	46.65	15.36†	18.62	2.26

* Note that no target is calculated for 1,148,100 acres in the land uses: permitted feeding space, non-permitted feeding space, and combined sanitary sewer and water.

† The afo/cfo load of 9,063,059 pounds is removed from pasture.

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Split Classes into individual land uses

WQGIT Workgroups

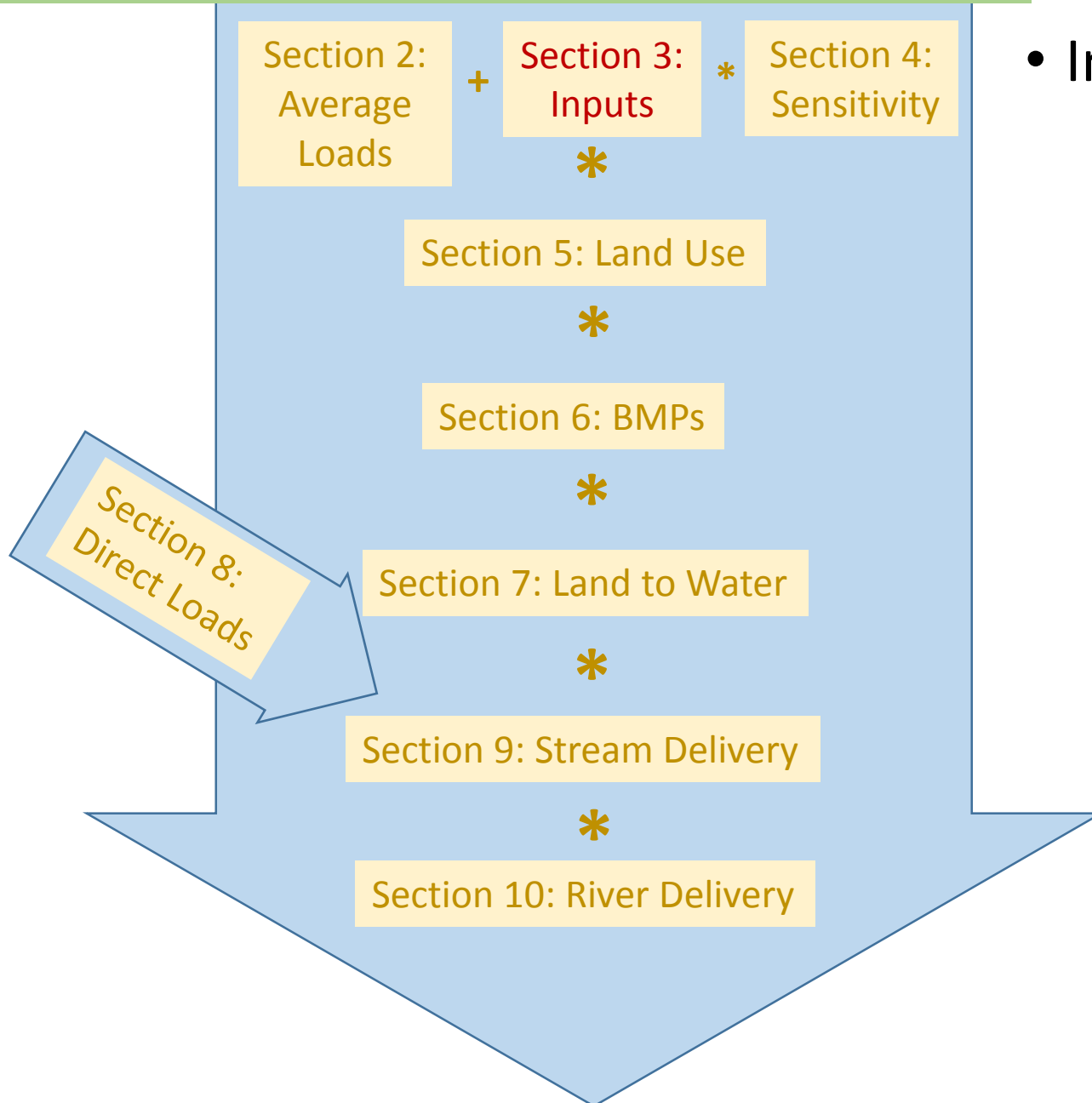
Multiple lines of evidence to develop ratios

- for example silage is 16% higher than grain

Split classes into individual land uses – Crop Nitrogen

Target Sector	Land Use	Acres	TN Export Rate Ratio	TN Export Rate (pounds per acre per year)
Cropland	Full Season Soybeans	926,048	0.71	36.98
	Grain with Manure	362,887	1.40	72.93
	Grain without Manure	989,101	1.00	52.09
	Other Agronomic Crops	527,481	0.45	23.44
	Silage with Manure	188,744	1.62	84.39
	Silage without Manure	403,534	1.16	60.42
	Small Grains and Grains	420,426	0.84	43.76
	Small Grains and Soybeans	313,019	0.79	41.15
	Specialty Crop High	66,706	1.34	69.8
	Specialty Crop Low	164,013	0.31	16.15

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• Inputs

- Manure
- Inorganic fertilizer
- Legume fixation
- Uptake
- Atmospheric deposition
- Crop cover
- Plowing effects

Phase 6 Inputs Conceptual Model

Livestock Manure (and Biosolids)

§ 3.2



Barnyard
§ 3.2.2 and § 3.2.3



Pasture
§ 3.2.2



Access Area
§ 3.2.2



Fertilizer
§ 3.3



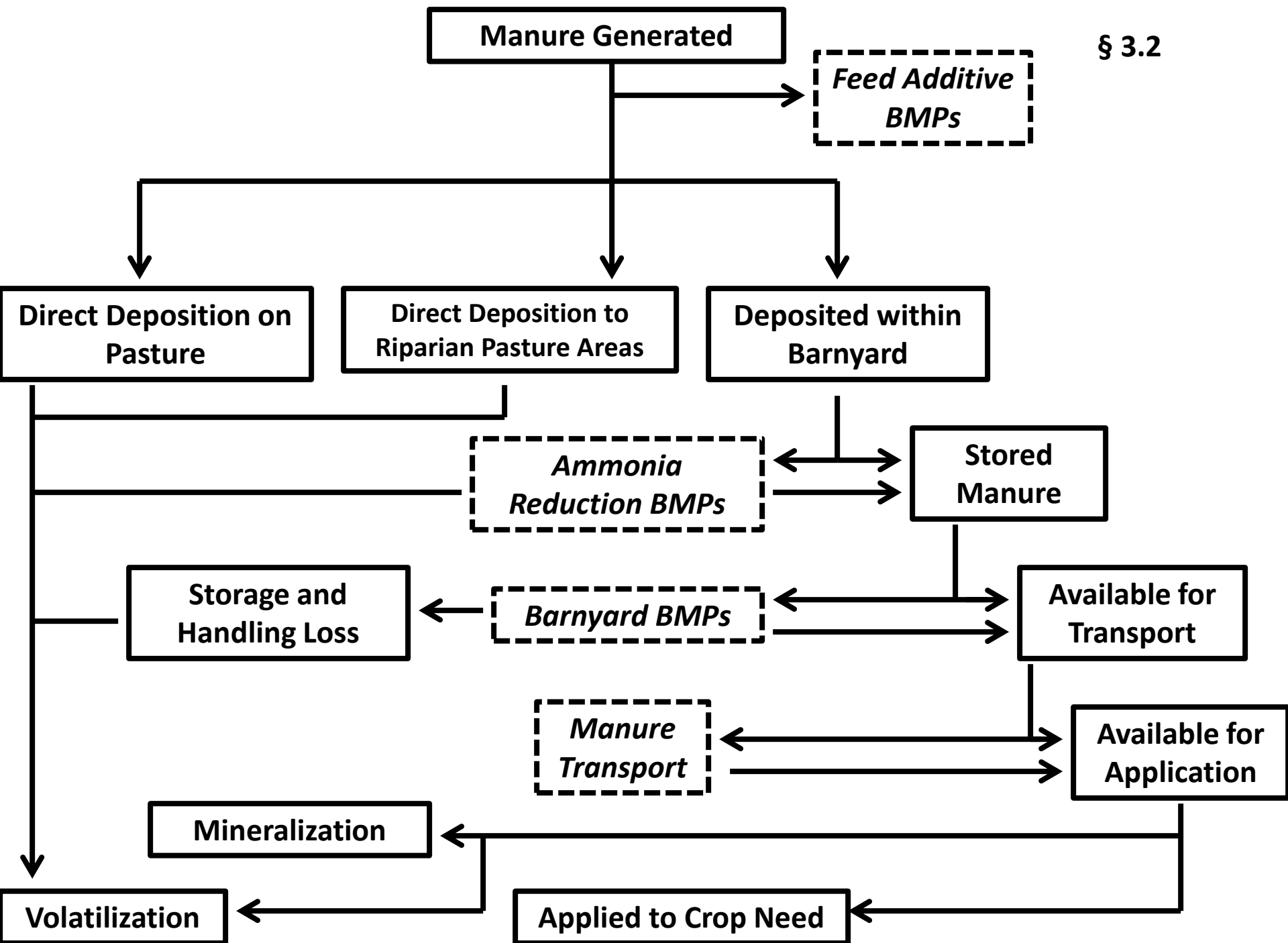
Nutrient Application Prescription
§ 3.2.7 and § 3.3.3



Crops



River



Manure: Estimating Manure Generation

§ 3.2.1

Animal Type	Manure Source	Lbs Dry Manure/Animal/Yr	Lbs TN/Lb Dry Manure	LbsTP/Lb Dry Manure
Beef	Use Beef - Cow (confinement) from ASAE 2005 for manure values	5,475.00	0.028788	0.006467
Dairy	Use Lactating Cow, Dry Cow and Heifer from ASAE 2005 for manure values	4,404.33	0.042221	0.006764
Other Cattle	Use average of Beef and Dairy from above to estimate manure values	4,939.67	0.035504	0.006616
Horses	Use average of Horse- Sedentary and Horse - Intense Exercise from ASAE 2005 for manure values	3,102.50	0.031672	0.005941
Hogs for Breeding	Use Gestating Sow and Lactating Sow ASAE 2005 for manure values	657	0.070273	0.019417
Hogs for Slaughter	Use Grow-Finish from ASAE 2005 for manure values	120	0.083333	0.014167
Sheep and Lambs	Use ASAE 2003 for manure values	240.9	0.038182	0.007909
Goats	Use ASAE 2003 for manure values	680.91	0.034615	0.008462

•Poultry litter estimates vary by year and are explained in detail in the PLS report.

Manure: Separating Manure into Piles

§ 3.2.2

- States were asked to estimate how much time each animal type would spend in the barnyard, in pasture and in the access area.
- These percentages separate the generated manure.

Growth Region	Animal Type	Month	Barnyard %	Pasture %	Access Area %
WV_1	beef	1	6	91	3
WV_1	beef	2	6	91	3
WV_1	beef	3	0	96	4
WV_1	beef	4	0	94	6
WV_1	beef	5	0	94	6
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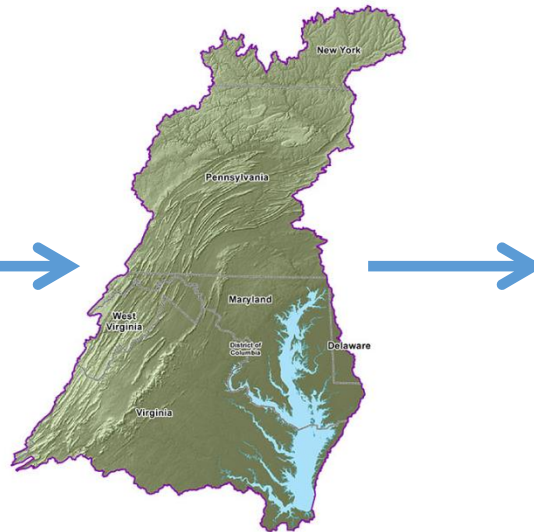
Inorganic: Going from Sales to Use

§ 3.3.1

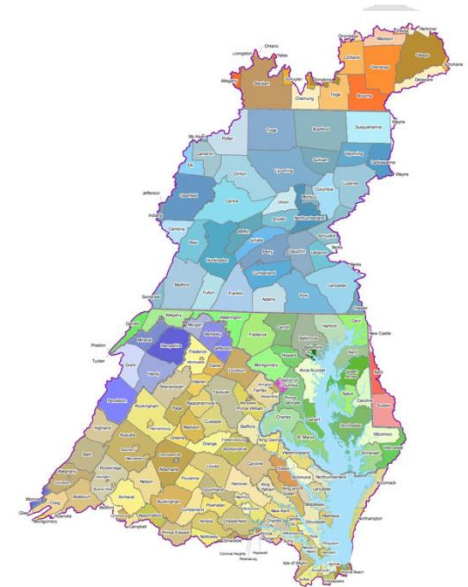
- Begin with regional-level sales, break those down to watershed-level sales, and break those down to county-level use.



- Sum AAPFCO sales across 6 states, and estimate sales used by farms.



- Calculate dollars spent on fertilizer from Ag Census in counties inside and outside watershed to “clip” watershed-only sales.



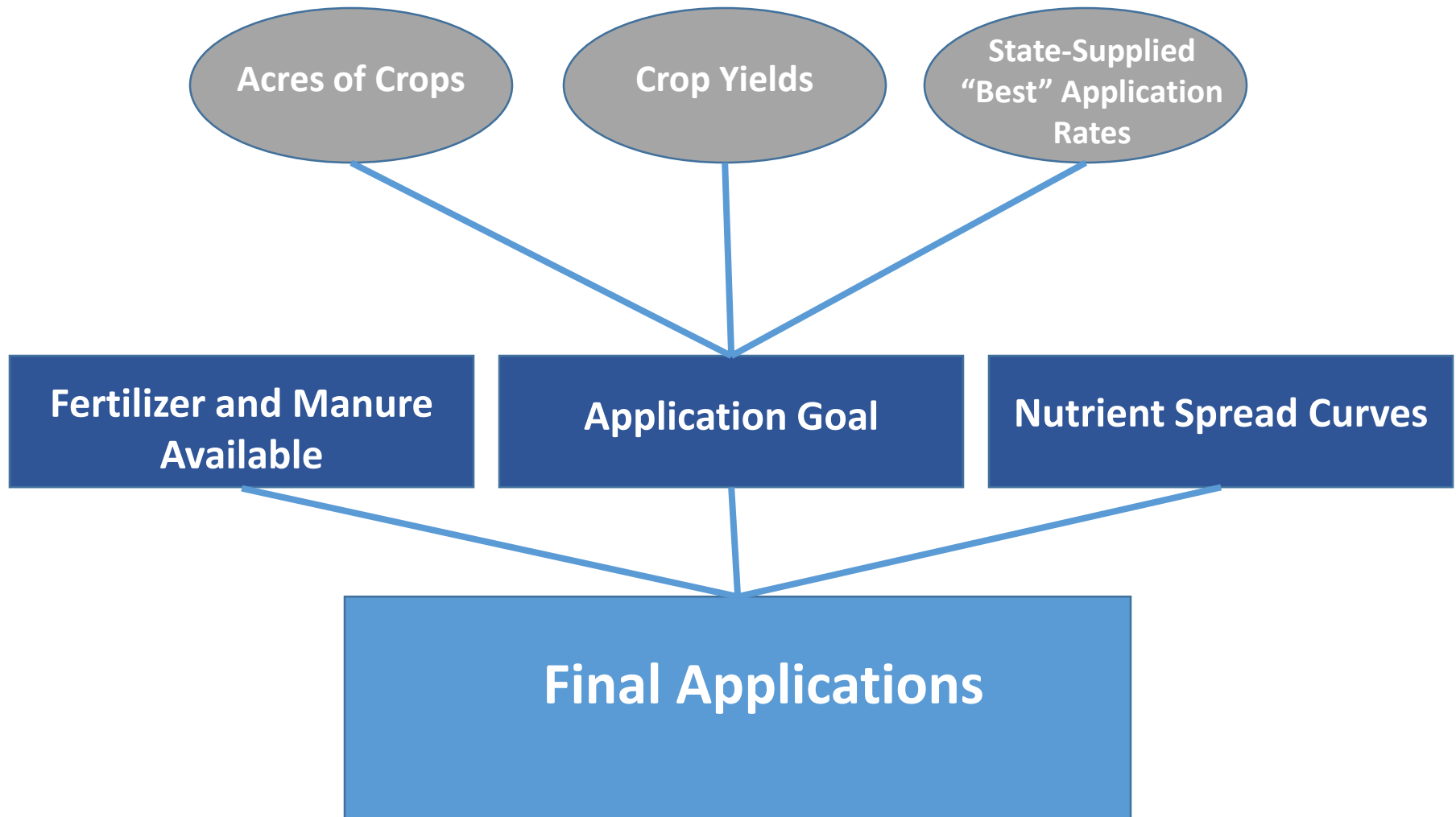
- Calculate fertilizer need by county as a combination of fractional dollars spent on fertilizer and fertilizer need after manure is applied. Use value to distribute fertilizer to each county.

Example of Fertilizer Distribution Method for Nitrogen in 2012

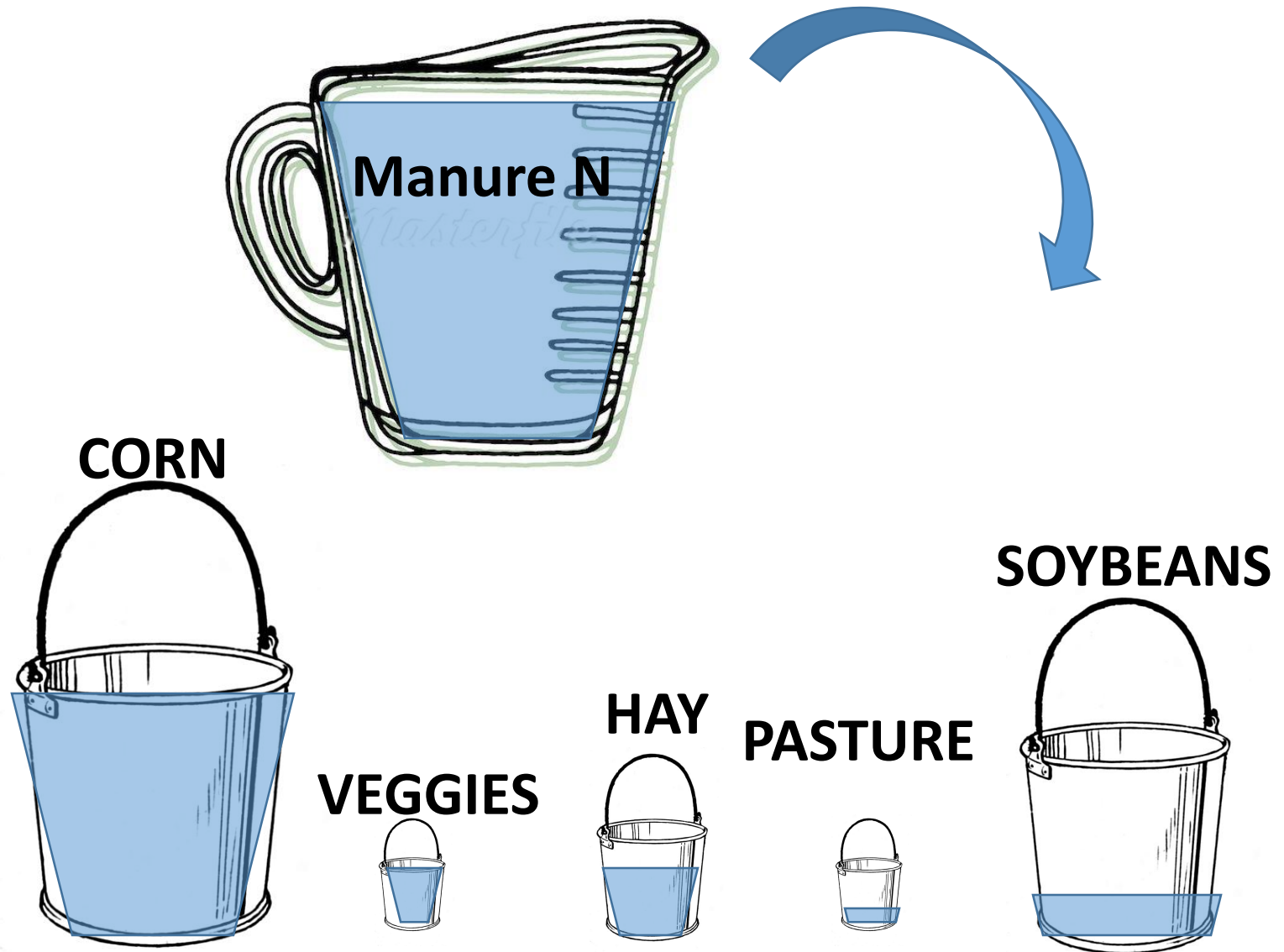
- **Regional Farm Sales = 603,579,944 lbs N** or
• *(Sum of lbs N sold across 6 states) X (3-year rolling average fraction of Farm Sales)*
- **Watershed-Wide Farm Sales = 413,741,002 lbs N** or
• *(Regional Farm Sales)X (Fraction of Ag Census Expenditures on Fertilizer and Soil Amendments that occurred within the Watershed)*
- **Fertilizer Available for Hypothetical County = 8,274,820 lbs N** or
• *(Watershed-Wide Farm Sales) X [(Fraction of Ag Census Expenditures on Fertilizer within County X 0.5)+(Fraction of Fertilizer Need within County X 0.5)]*

“Prescribing” Applications to Crops

§ 3.2.7 and § 3.3.3

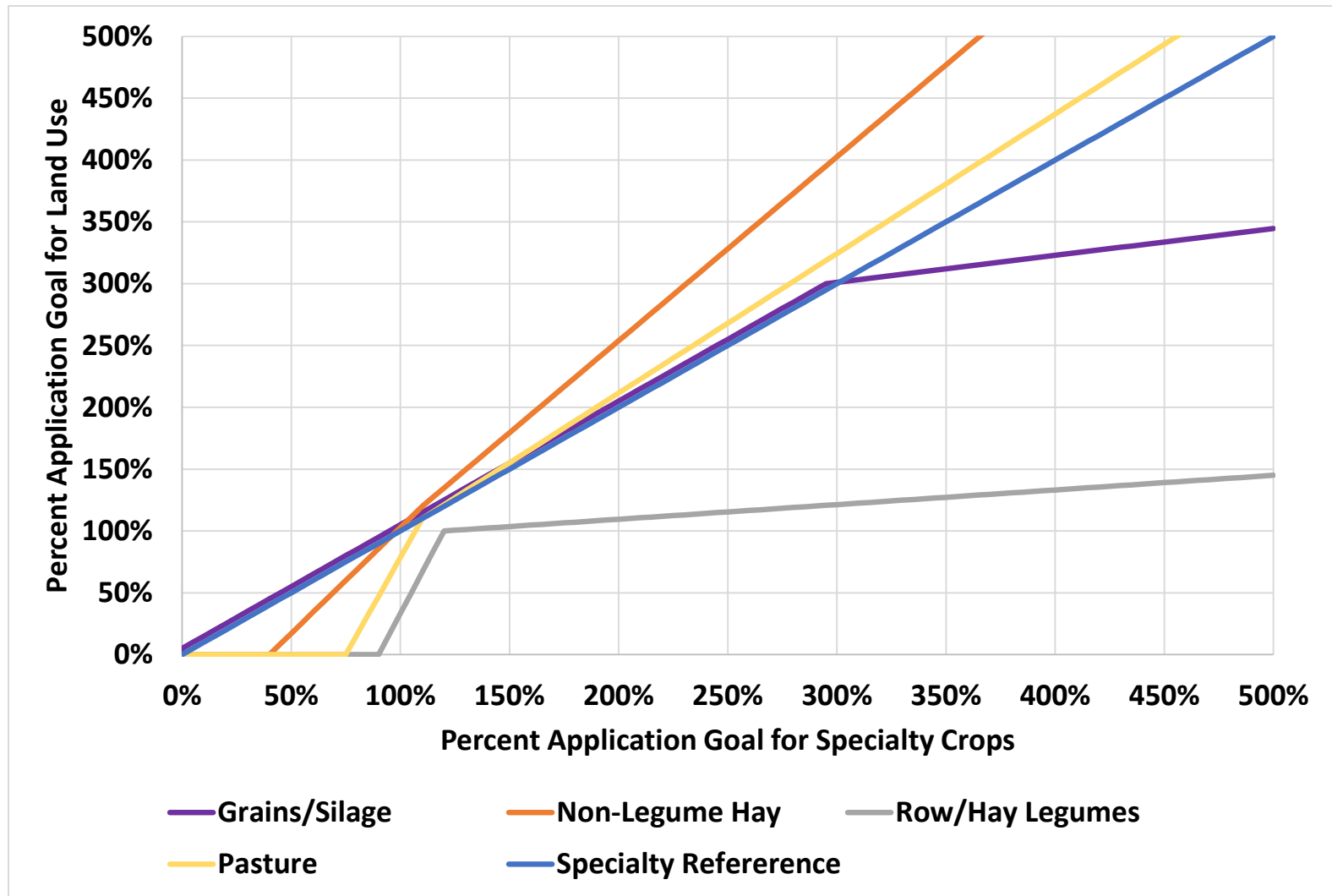


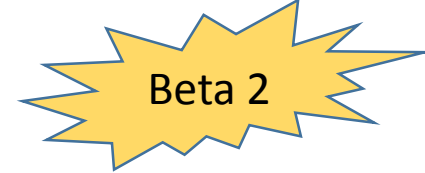
Filling the Buckets of Application Goal



Manure: Prioritizing Manure Nitrogen Applications (and Biosolids)

§ 3.2.8





Revisions for Beta 2 (April)

- Improvements for April calibration include:
 - Inorganic fertilizer distributed to crops only after all BMPs are simulated.
 - Manure mineralization rates, which impact the amount of manure nutrients available to crops, updated to reflect typical nutrient management mineralization rates by decade.
 - Manure recoverability, or the amount of manure generated in a barnyard that can be made available to crops, before and after the implementation of Animal Waste Management Systems was updated to reflect estimates provided in http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/nrcs143_012131.pdf.
 - Acres of barnyards or feeding facilities were updated to reflect the Bay Program's best estimates per animal type.
 - Nutrient application goals for the minor crops, emmer, spelt and triticale, were based upon state-recommended applications on a per acre basis as very little yield data was available to vary the application goals by annual yield
 - New BMP information submitted by some states.
 - New biosolids data submitted by DE.

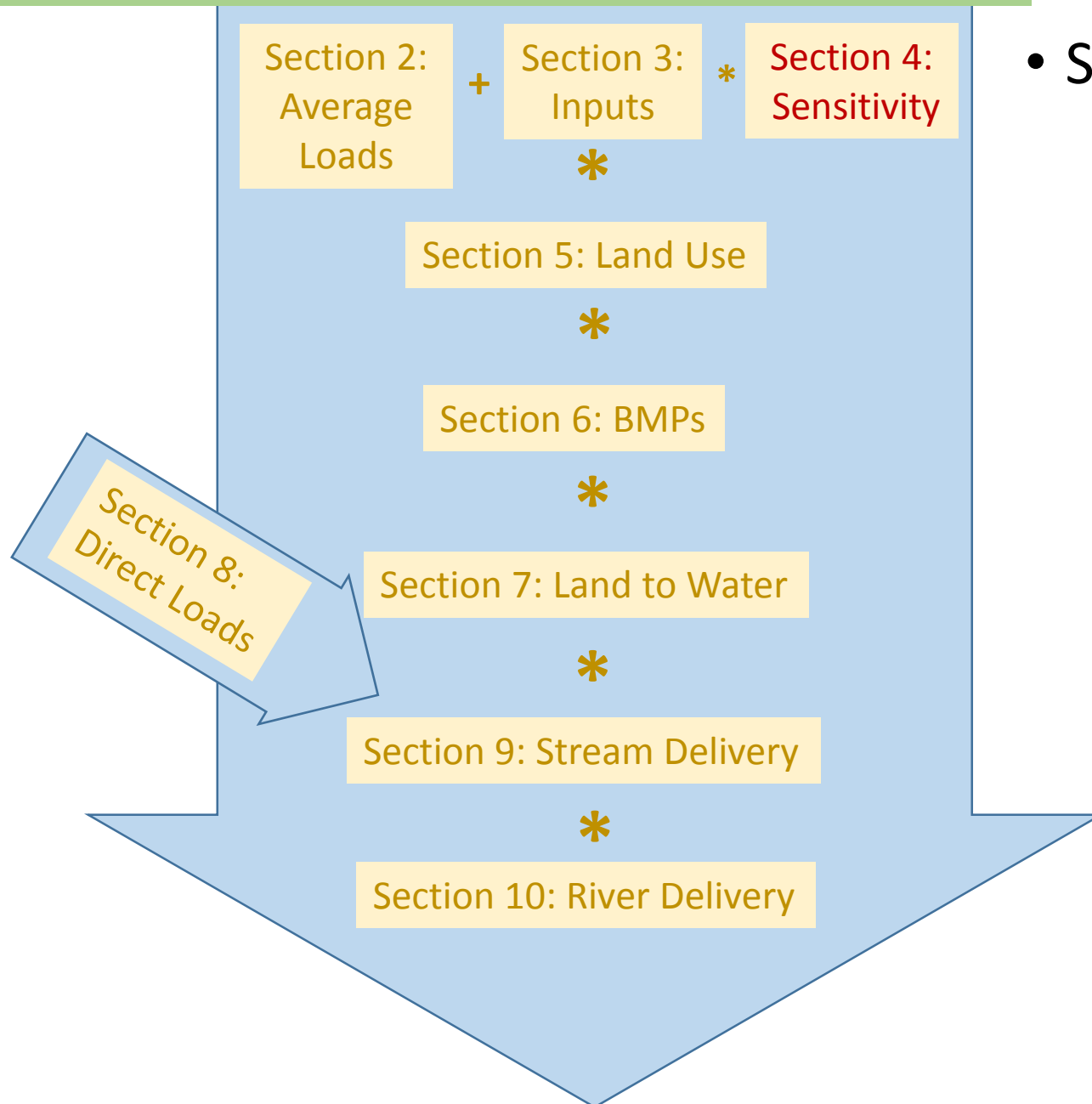
Revisions for Beta 3 (July)

- **Crop Application Goals**
 - Group of Agricultural Workgroup state representatives worked with the AMS to revise crop application goals so they better reflect land-grant university recommendations.
- **Non-Nutrient Management Application Goal Multiplier**
 - Subgroup of Nutrient Management expert panel supplied revised multipliers for Crop Application Goals.
- **Legume Fixation**
 - AMS approved use of new equation to estimate legume fixation based upon estimates of nitrogen from soils, manure and inorganic fertilizer.
- **Crop Removal**
 - AMS reviewed existing crop removal/uptake values, and agreed to adjust values for corn, beans, pasture and non-legume hay.
- **Barnyard Area for Other Cattle**
 - Area adjusted so it better reflects NRCS estimates of area used by cattle.
- **Biosolids**
 - Ag Workgroup and Wastewater Technical Workgroup approved use of new curves to spread biosolids to crops.

Atmospheric Deposition

- Currently using phase 5.3.2
- Expecting Data set from Penn State for Beta 4
- Data set will be modified by scenarios in CMAQ

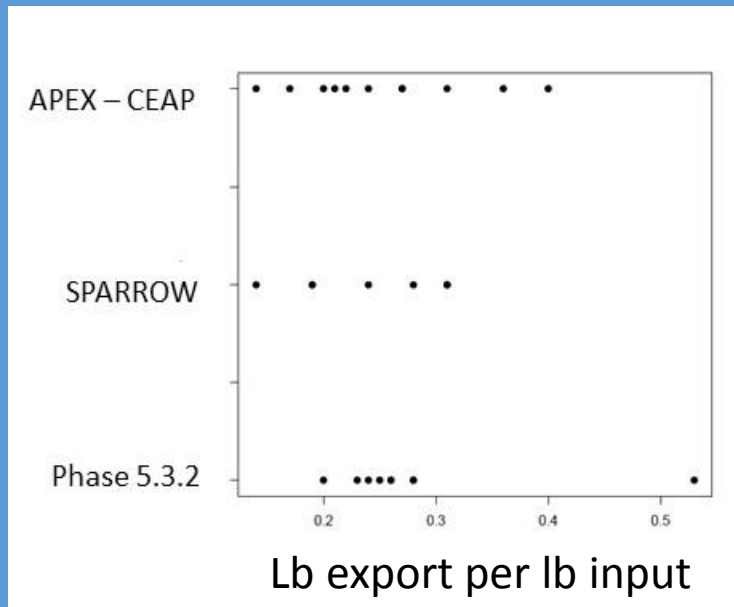
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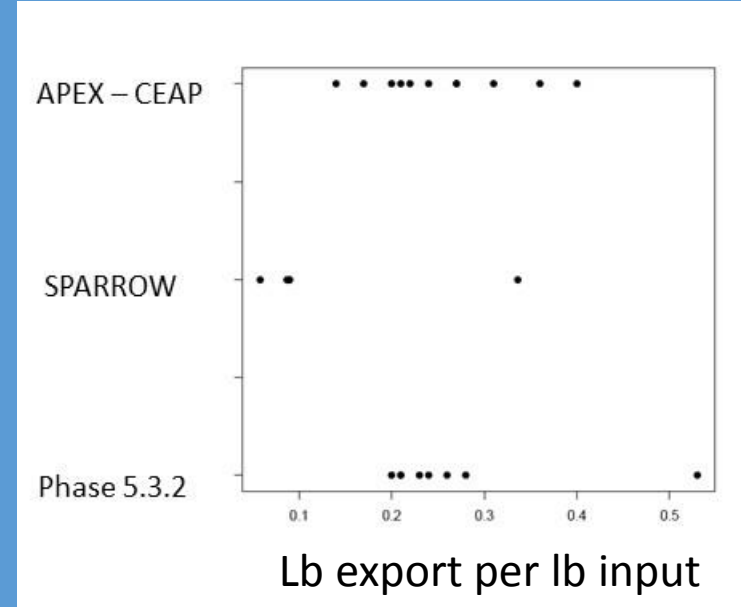
- Sensitivity
 - Change in output per change in input

Nitrogen Sensitivity

Definition – Average Change in export per change in input



Commercial Fertilizer

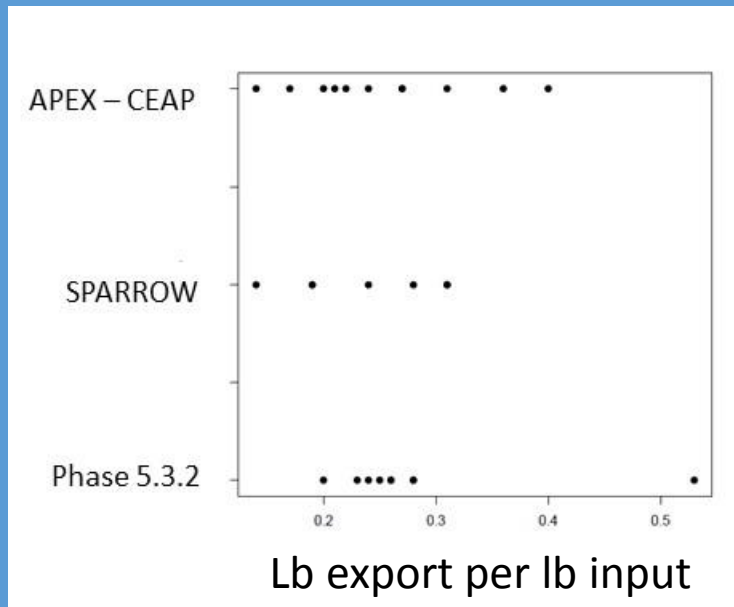


Manure

Multiple Model comparison – All in general agreement on the average effect

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Commercial Fertilizer

Modeling Workgroup Decision:

Use Phase 5.3.2 for global sensitivities

- Supported by CEAP and SPARROW results
- Answers the right question
 - **Change** in export per **change** in input
- No direct access to APEX-CEAP
- Sparrow had different land use classifications

Sensitivity of Phase 5 Hightill with Manure land use

	NH3	NO3	ORGN
Atmospheric Deposition	0.01	0.226	0.083
Fertilizer	0.018	0.19	0.073
Manure	0.005	0.067	0.104
Fixation	0.01	0.19	0.101
Crop Uptake	0	-0.057	0
Vegetative Cover	-0.012	0.012	-0.404



Beta 2

Sensitivities are modified according to relative loading rates

P5.3.2 hwm = p6 gwm (grain with manure)

What about other land uses?

Adjust by load ratio => Small Grains is 60% of Grain with manure load

Adjusted sgg sensitivity = gwm sensitivity * 60%

STAC Guidance on Phosphorus

A Review of Agricultural P-dynamics in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model



“...output from CBWM [indicated] major reductions in P losses from cropland on the Maryland Eastern Shore that seemed to be inconsistent with research findings and monitoring data in the region.”



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Phosphorus Conceptual Model

Phosphorus

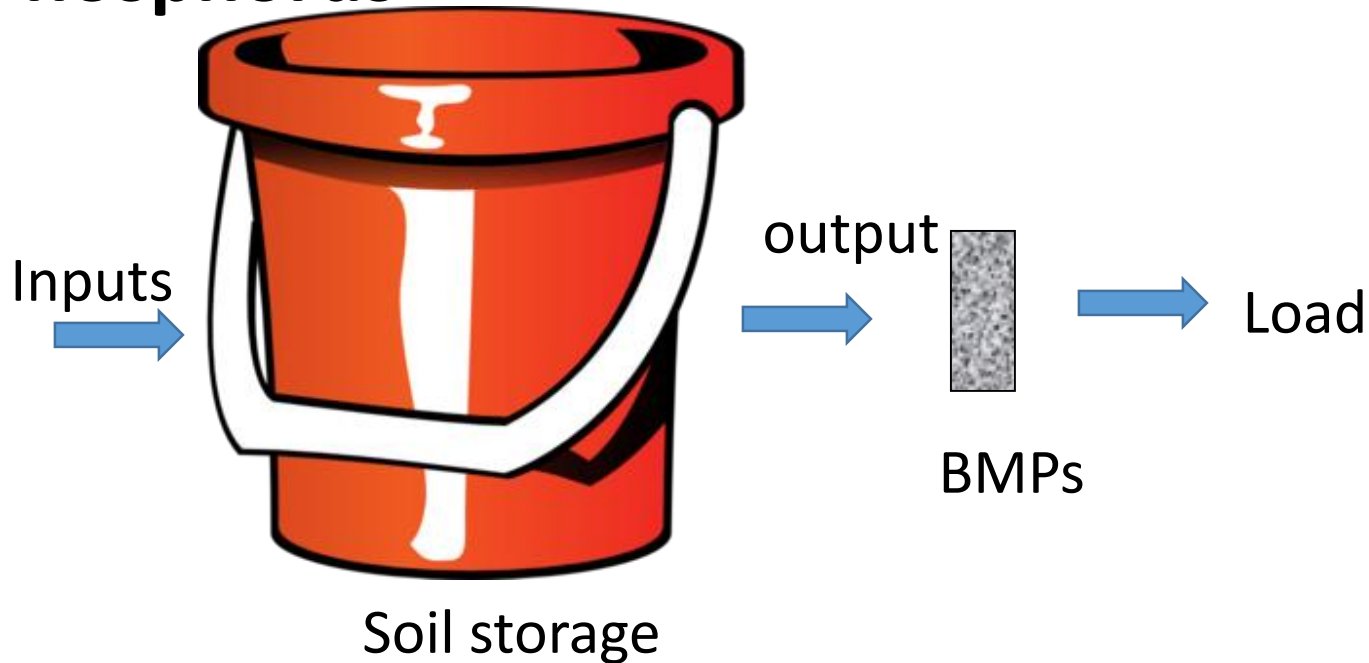
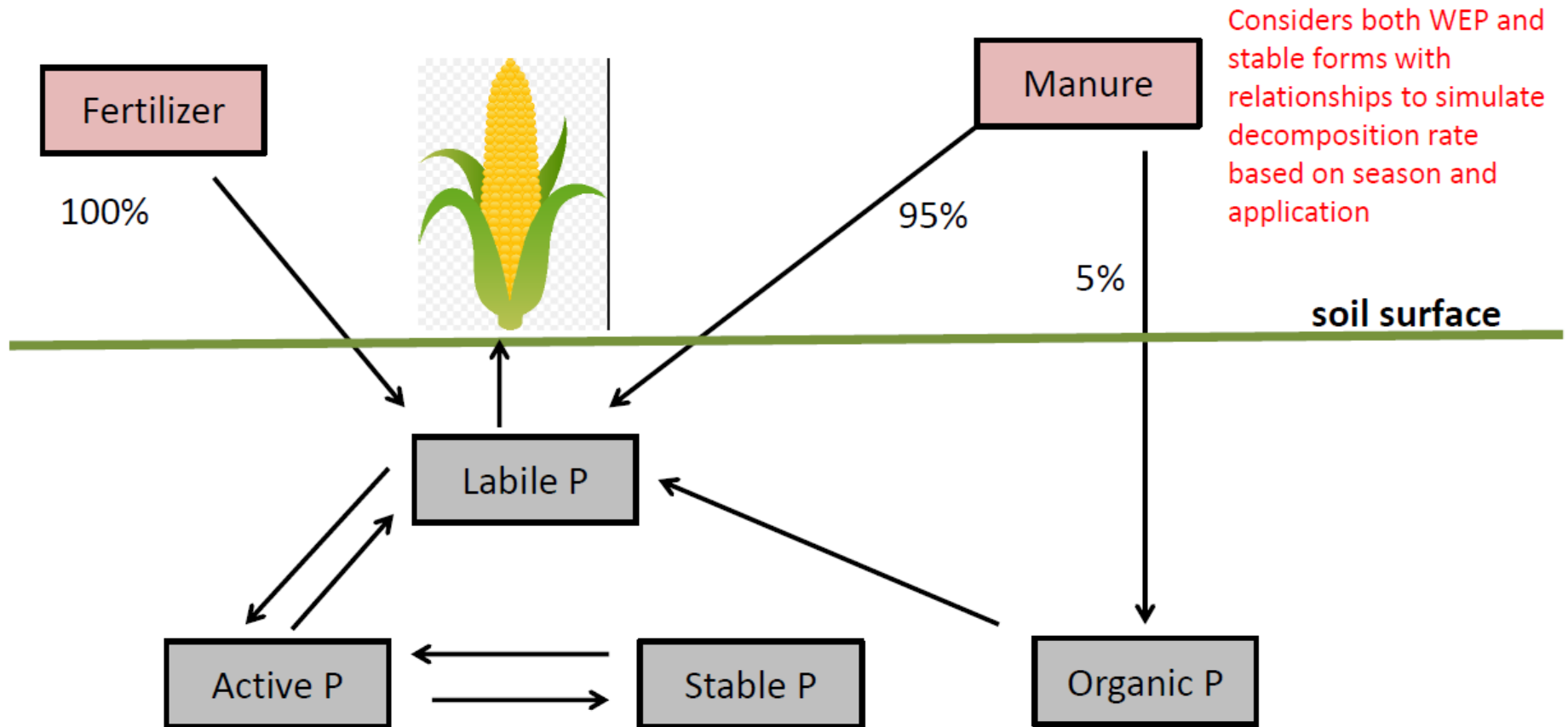


Diagram of APLE Nutrient Sources and Soil Pools

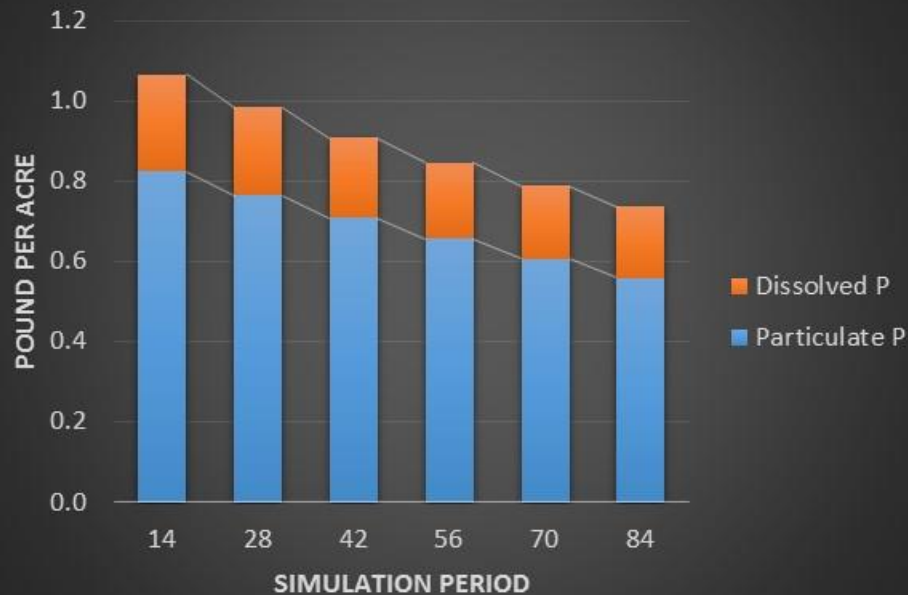


Equations to estimate Manure runoff P, Fertilizer runoff P, Sediment P loss, and Dissolved Soil P runoff

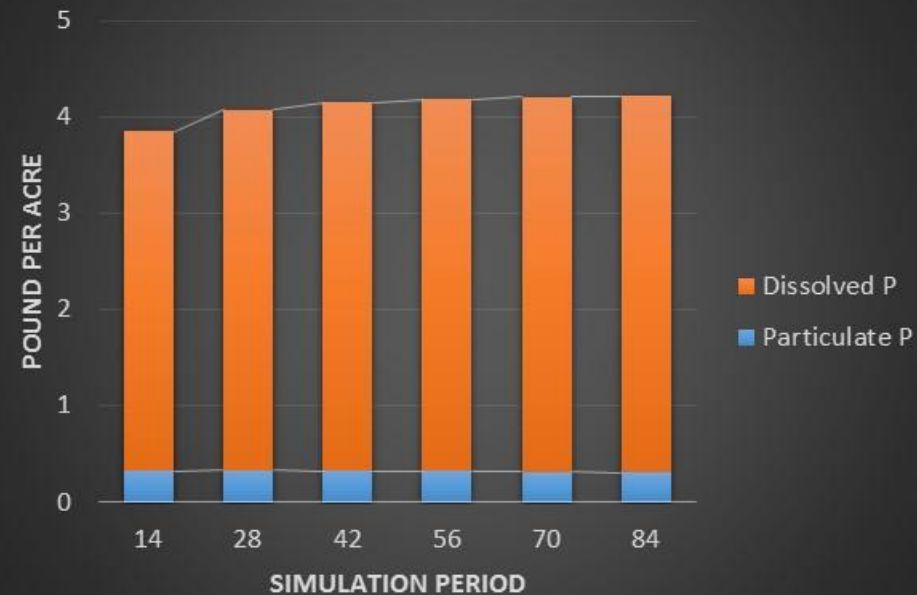
Low input County

High input County

Frederick VA – Phosphorus Loss

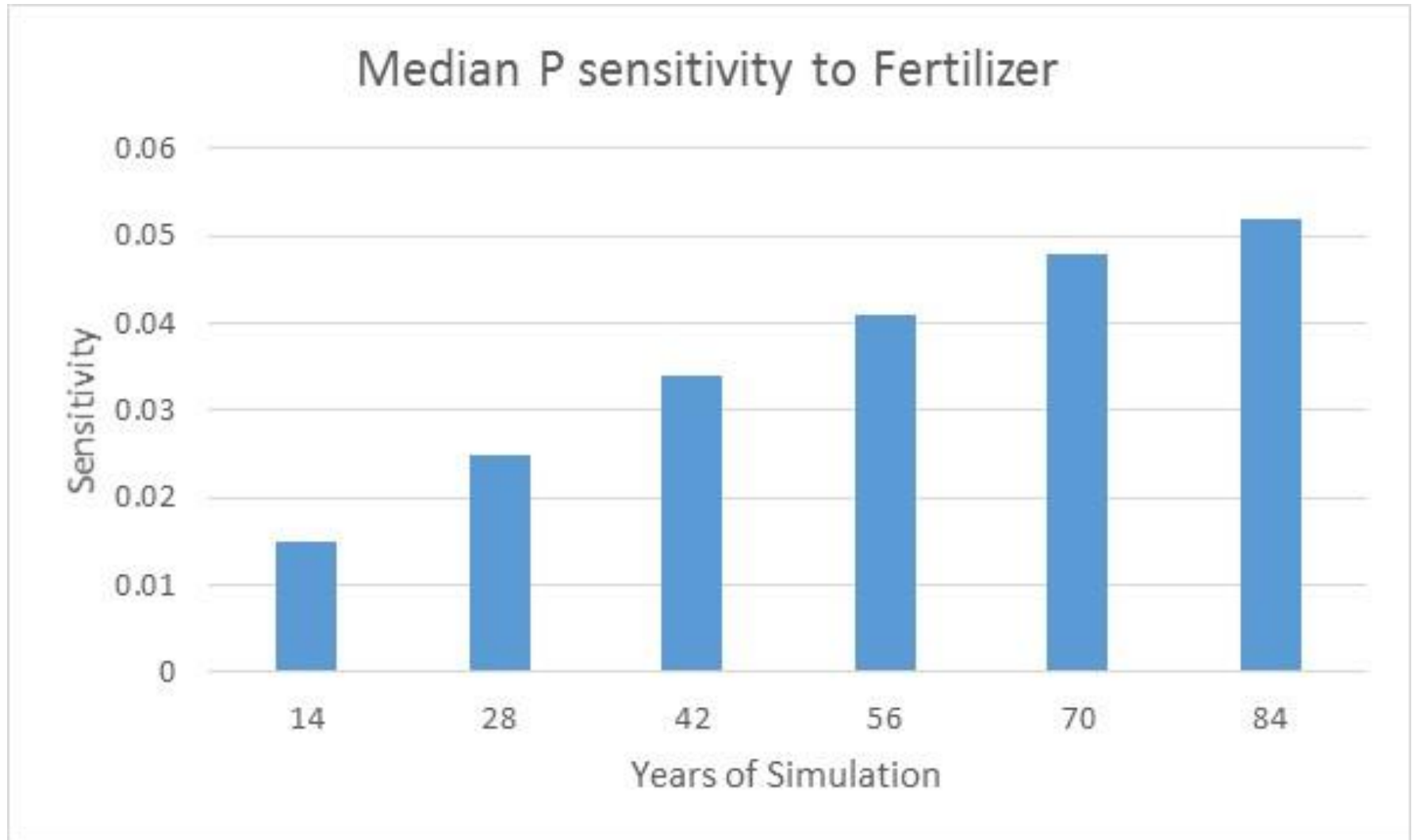


Somerset MD – Phosphorus Loss



The concept of a sensitivity to inputs is problematic because the long term simulations do not level off

Different Simulation Periods to Evaluate Sensitivities




APPLE Hightill Landuse Sensitivities using Constant Mehlich 3 Soil P

Table 1. Phosphorus Loss APPLE Model Sensitivity to change in inputs

Inputs	Units	MEDIAN SLOPE	MEDIAN SR	Relative Sensitivity
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Runoff	inches	0.057	0.403	Moderately sensitive
Manure	lbs/acre	0.007	0.111	Slightly sensitive
Fertilizer	lbs/acre	0.004	0.068	Slightly sensitive
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Requires estimate of soil P

Summary of Soil P data sources

SOURCE	YEARS	LOCATION	UNITS	SAMPLE TYPE
AgriAnalysis	2003 - 2014	DE,MD,NY,PA,VA,WV	Phos lbs/ac	by county & zip code
Penn State University	2001 - 2014	PA	Mehlich III soil P (ppm)	by county and by crop
Virginia Tech Soil Testing Lab	Average of 2012-2014	VA	Mehlich III soil P (ppm)	by county and by crop
University of Maryland	1954 - 2002	MD	number of samples	by county
University of Maryland	1992	DE,MD,NY,PA,VA,WV	Mehlich III soil P (ppm)	by county

Soil P Landuse Ratios

Landuse	Landuse name	PA		VA	
		Average Mehlich III	Ratio	Average Mehlich III	Ratio
ALL	ALL	102		85	
sch	Specialty Crop High	190	1.9	146	1.7
scl	Specialty Crop Low	151	1.5	120	1.4
oac	Other Agronomic Crops	132	1.3	106	1.3
swm	Silage with Manure	90	0.9	88	1.0
gwm	Grain with Manure	89	0.9	76	0.9
soy	Full Season Soybeans	83	0.8	64	0.8
sgg	Small Grains and Grains	76	0.7	72	0.8
ohy	Other Hay	73	0.7	58	0.7
lhy	Legume Hay	73	0.7	58	0.7
pas	Pasture	66	0.6	56	0.7

- PA and VA provided soil P data by crop.
- The average soil P ratios were applied to other states' soil P datasets.

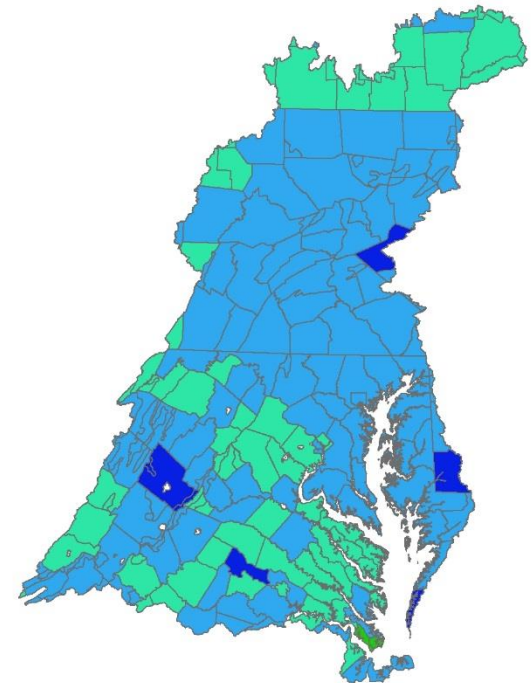
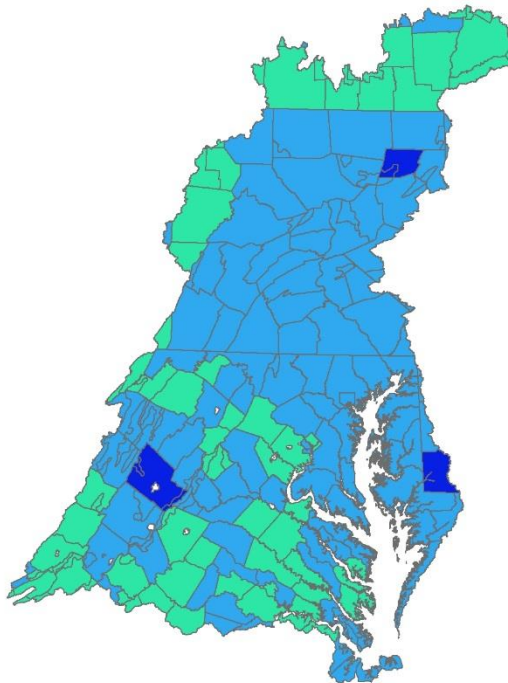
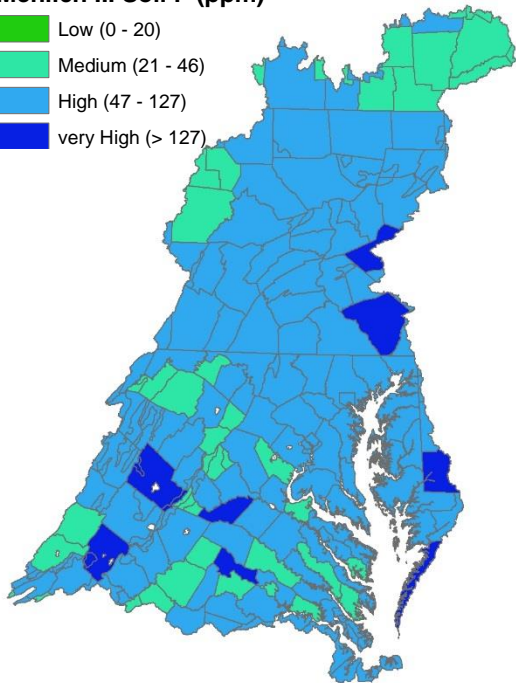
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Legume Hay (lhy)

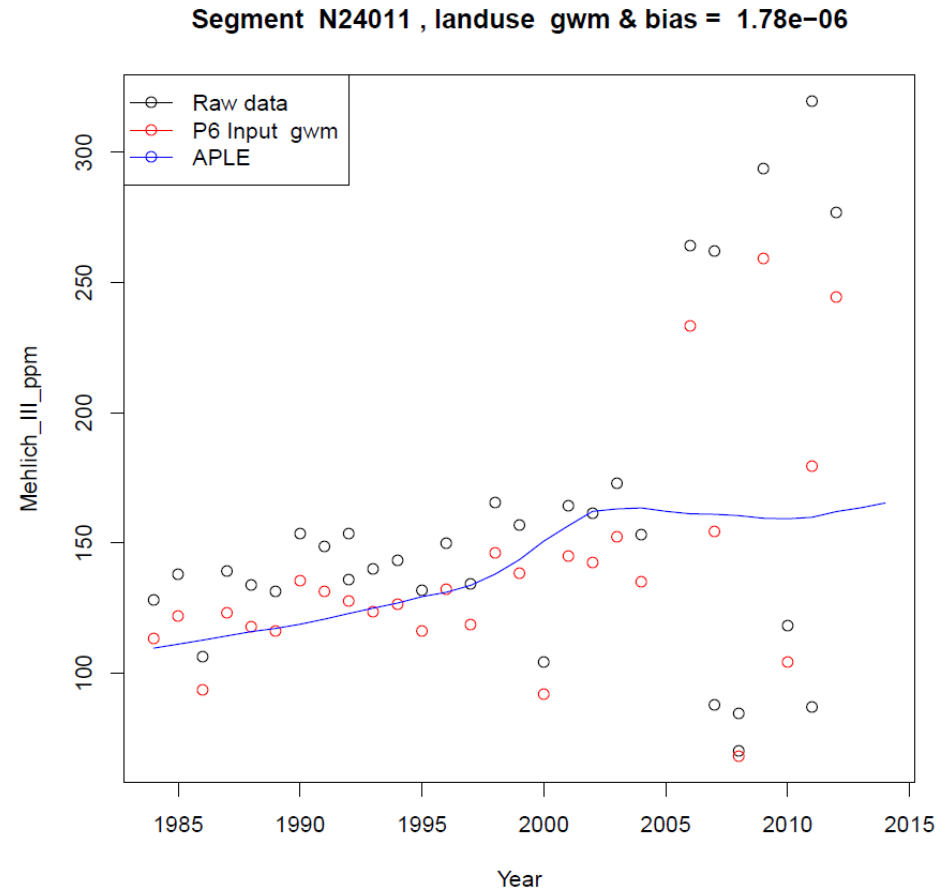
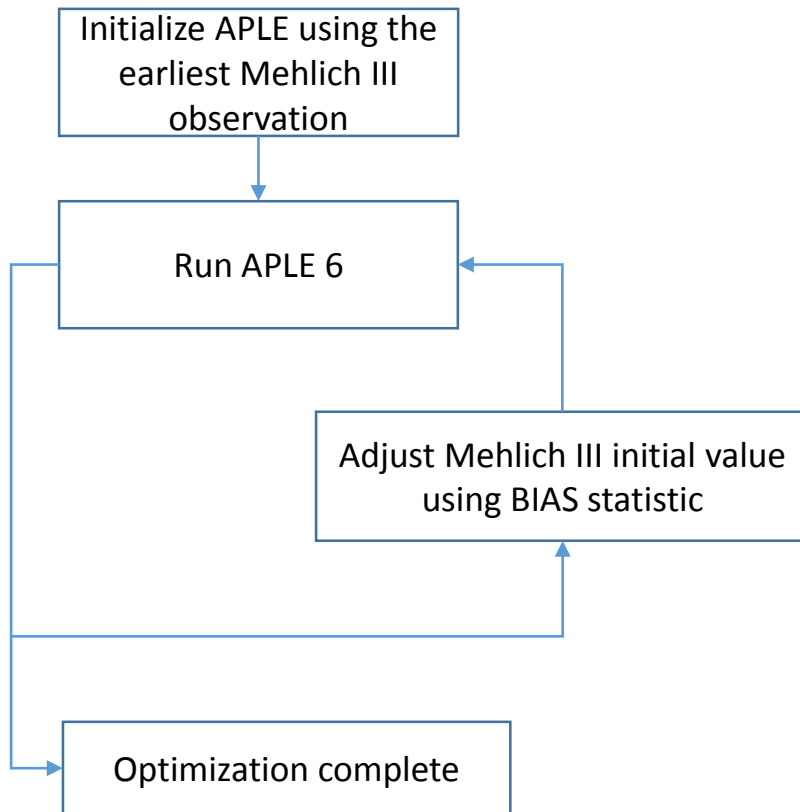
Legend

Mehlich III Soil P (ppm)

- Low (0 - 20)
- Medium (21 - 46)
- High (47 - 127)
- very High (> 127)



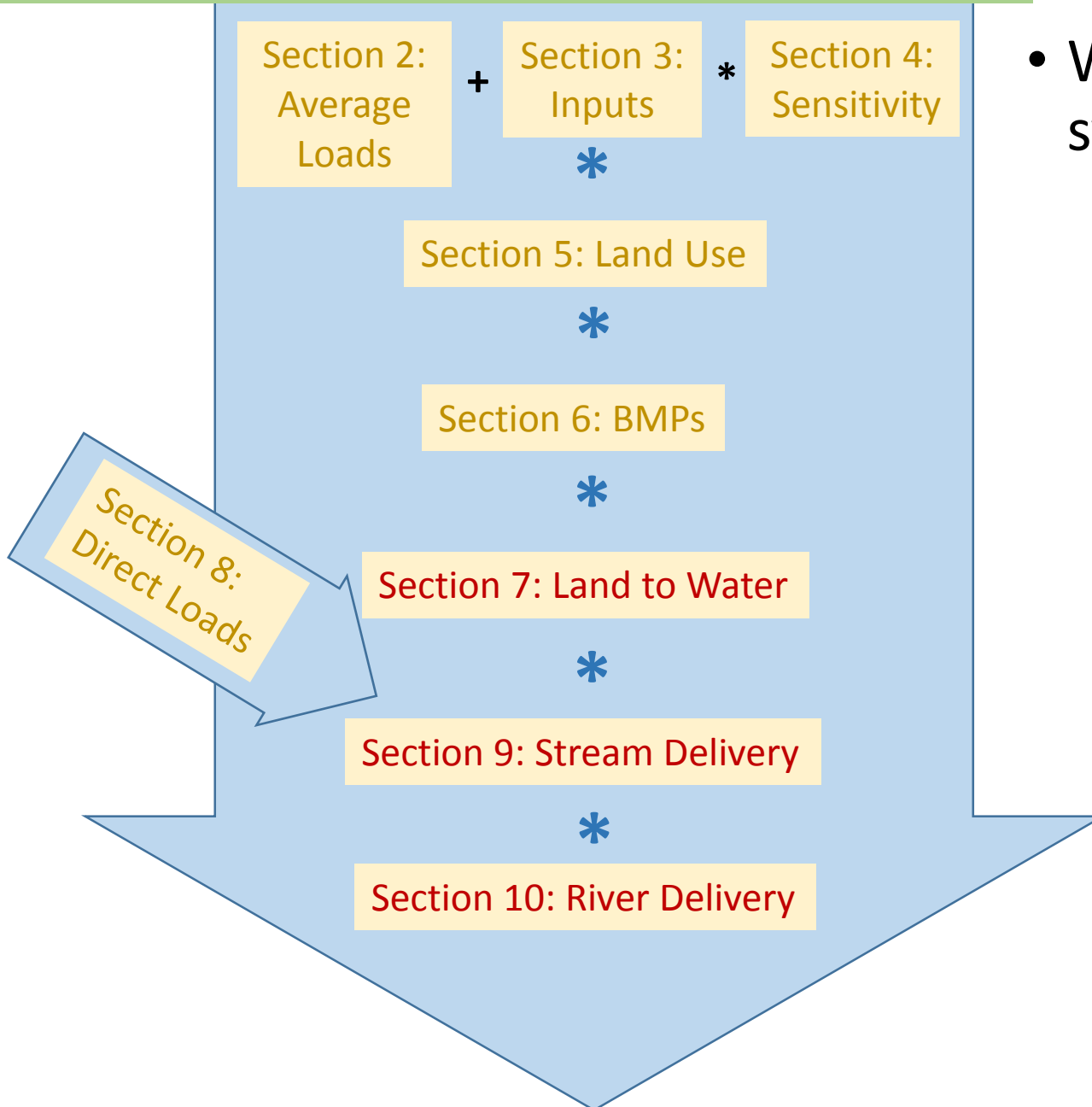
Soil P History



Review Strategy

- Read Chapter 1
- Target Chapters and Sections that are important to you
- Main Prediction of CAST for decision support:
Change in Anthropogenic Load
 - BMPs
 - WWTP
 - Land use Change
 - Response to Change in inputs

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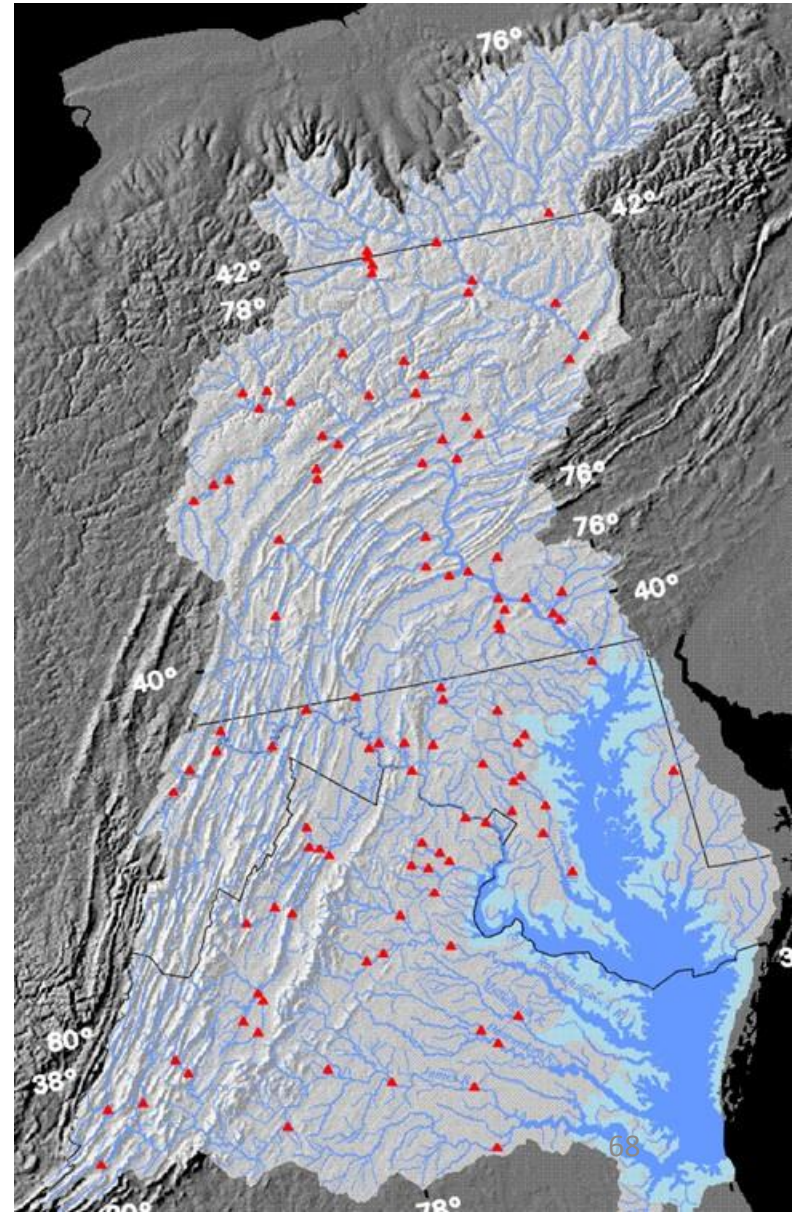
- Watershed Delivery system

- Spatially distribute loads
- Check for agreement with monitoring data
 - Modeling workgroup

$$LOAD_i = \left\{ \sum_{j \in J(i)} \left[\sum_{n=1}^N S_{n,j} \beta_n \exp(-\alpha' Z_j) \right] \prod_m \exp(-\delta_m^s T_{i,j,m}) \prod_l 1/(1 + \lambda^r q_{i,j,l}^{-1}) \right\} \exp(\varepsilon_i)$$

USGS Sparrow Model

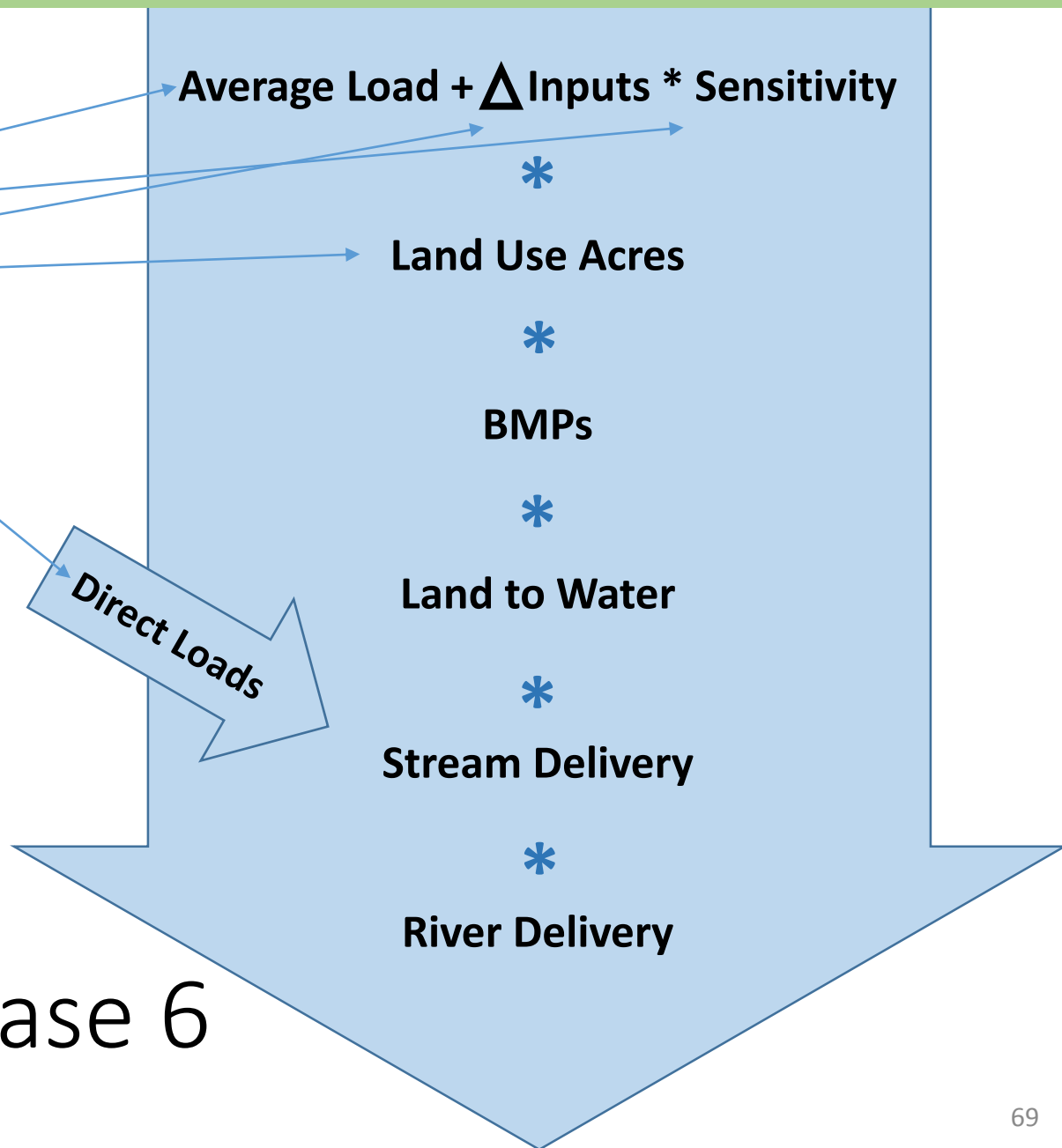
- Regression Model
- Gain knowledge about the watershed based on observations



Phase 6 Model Structure

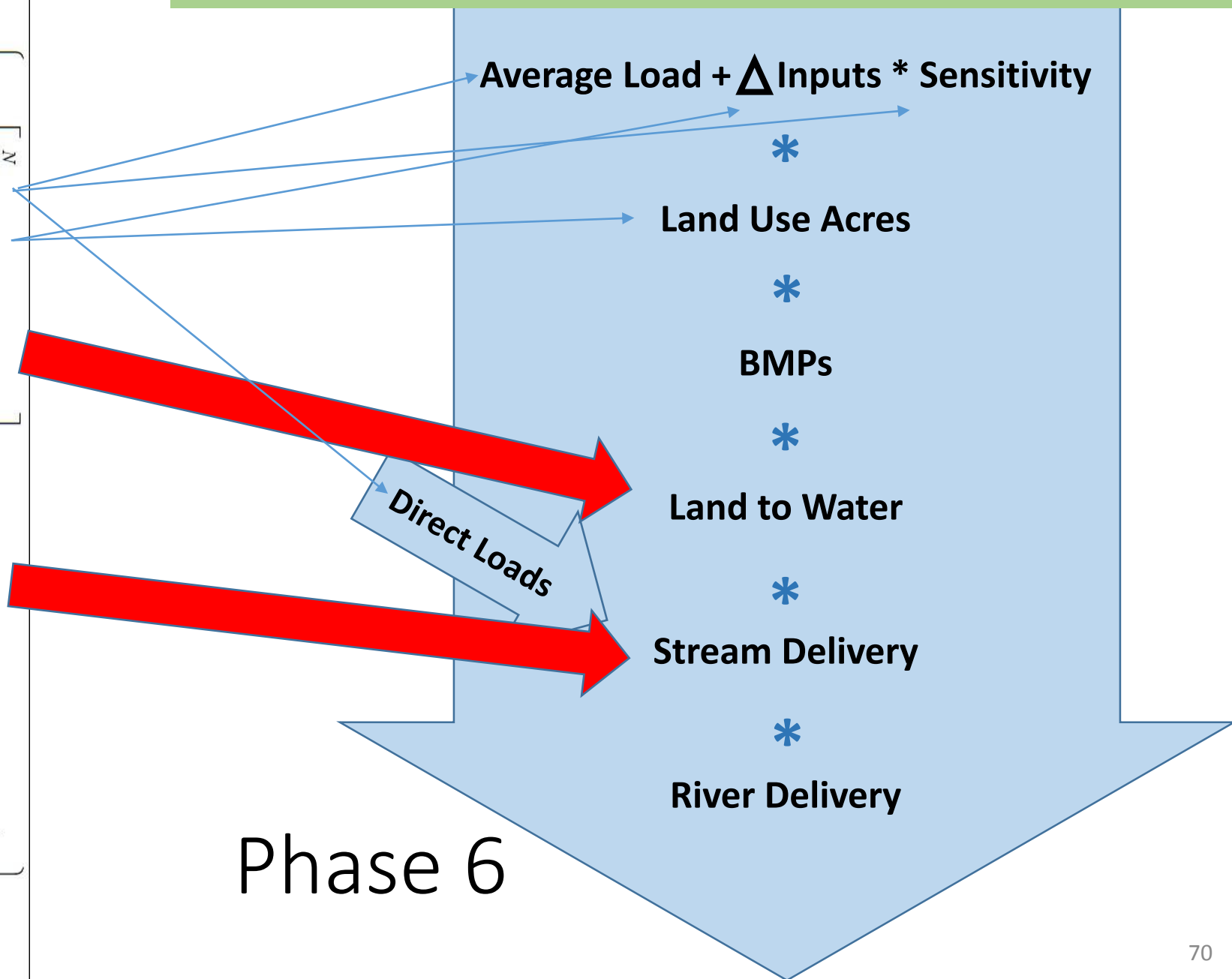
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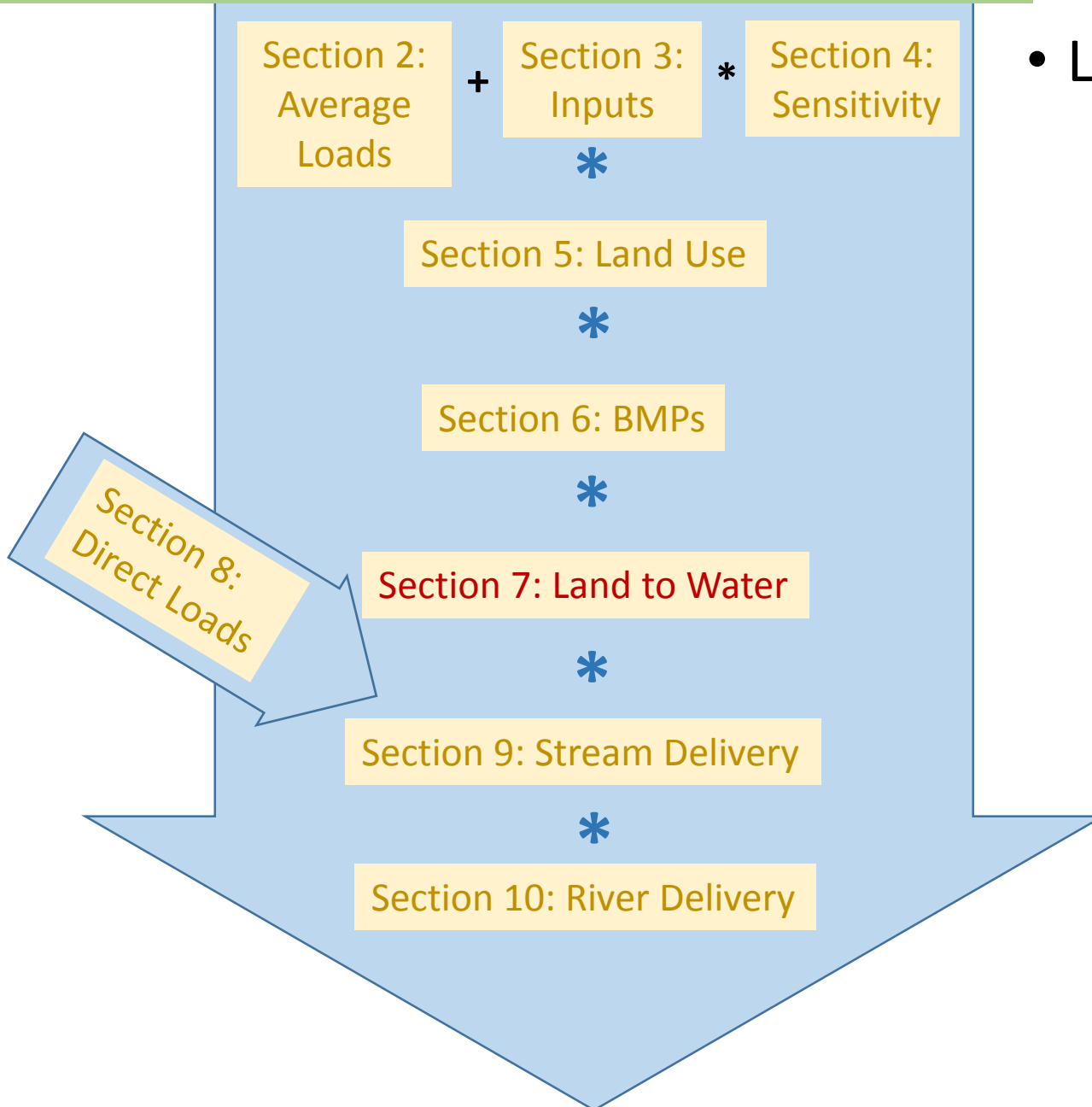
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Phase 6

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- Land to Water
 - Loads are already edge-of-stream but based on large averages
 - L2W factors spatially distribute the loads based on watershed characteristics
 - L2W factors have no net effect on the overall loads

Catchment and Reach Attributes Used in SPARROW Models

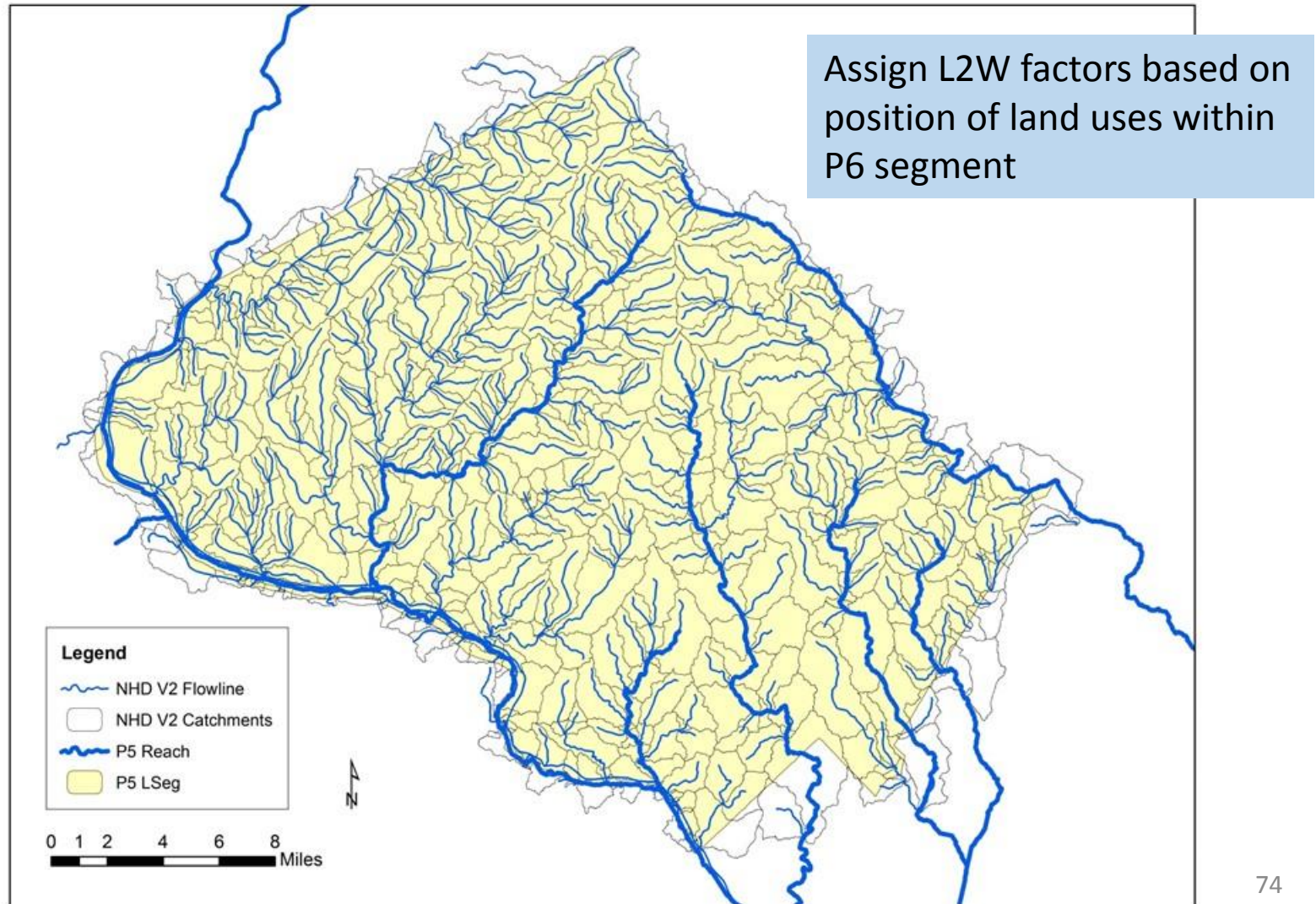
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* Not used in Beta 2 calculations because redundant with APLE sensitivities to runoff and erosion

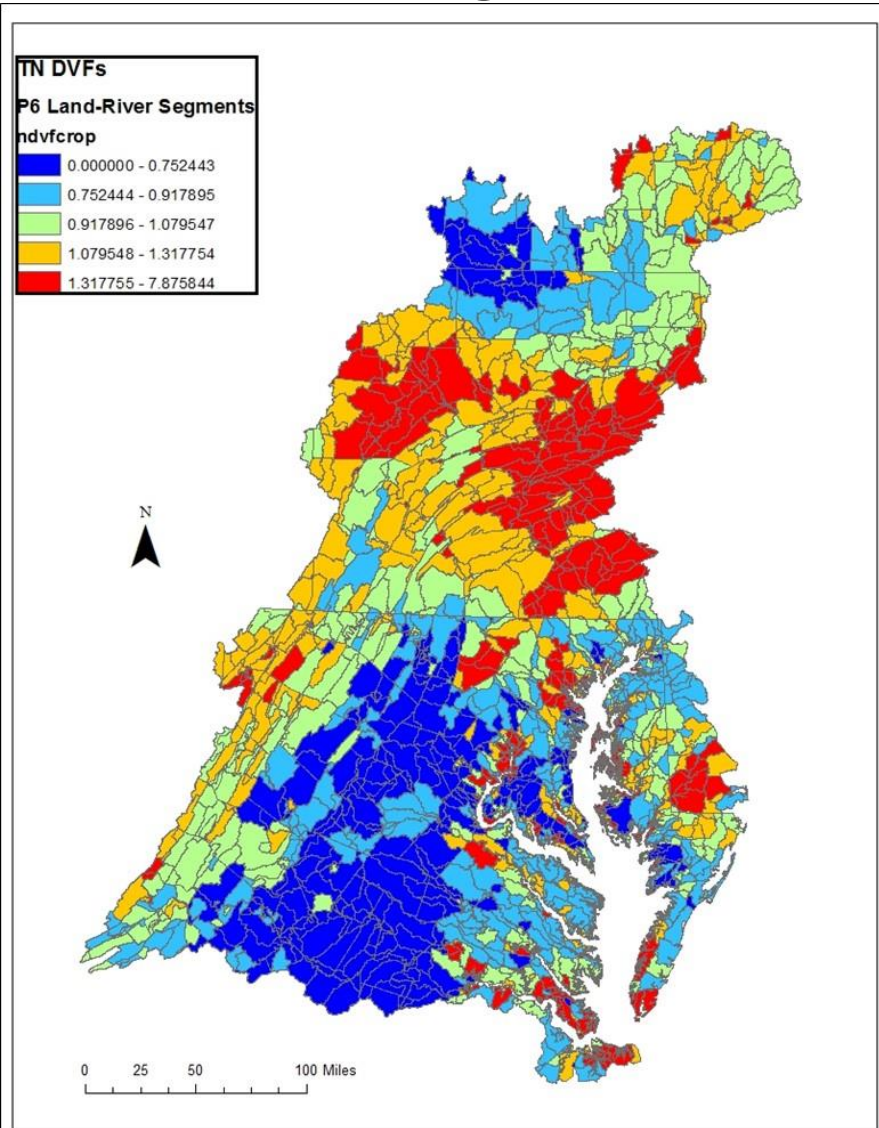
Comparison of NHD+ and P6 Scales



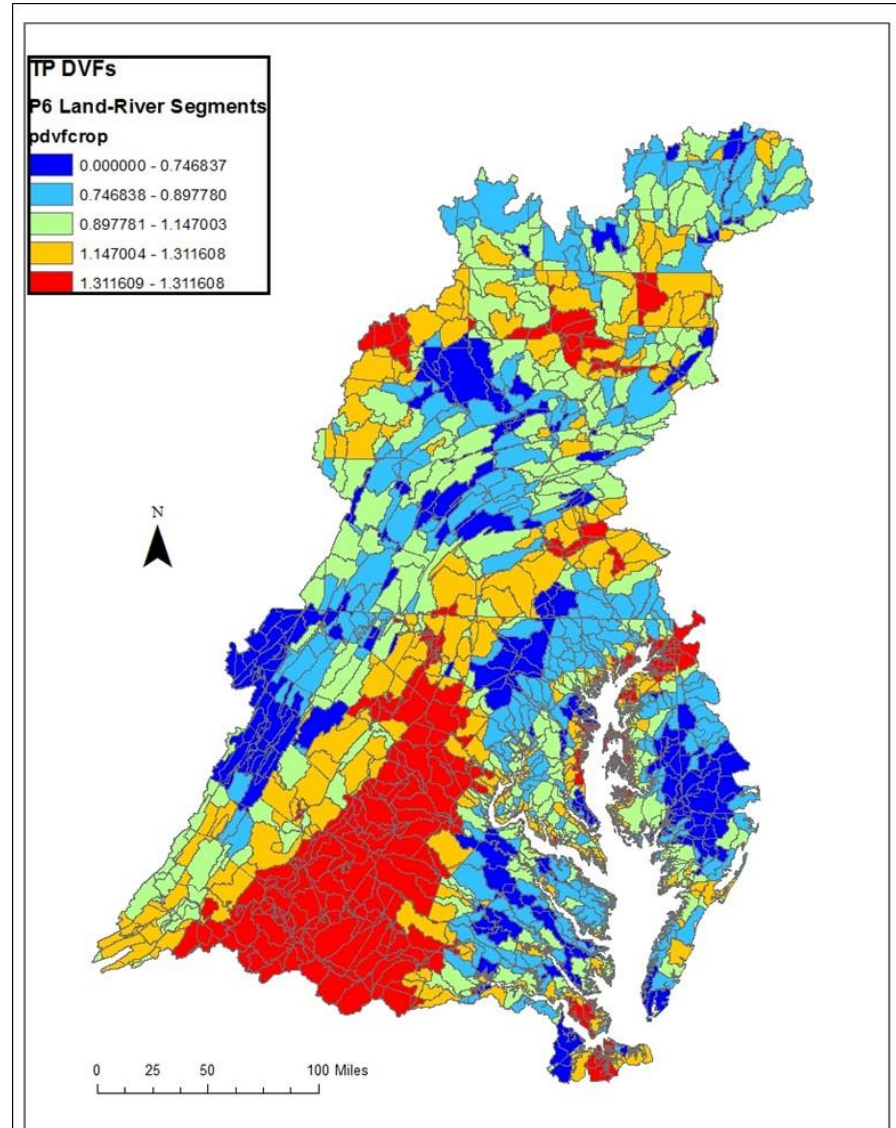
Crop L2W Factors

Beta 2

Nitrogen



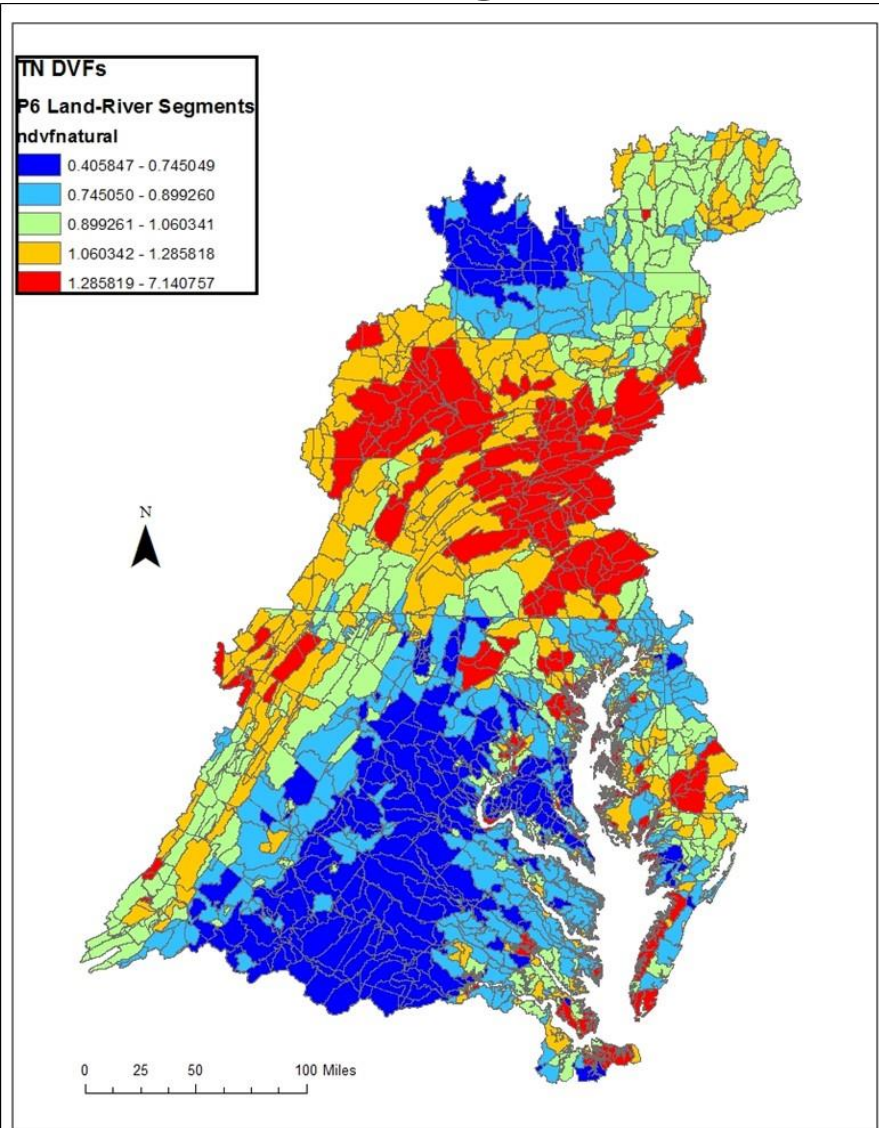
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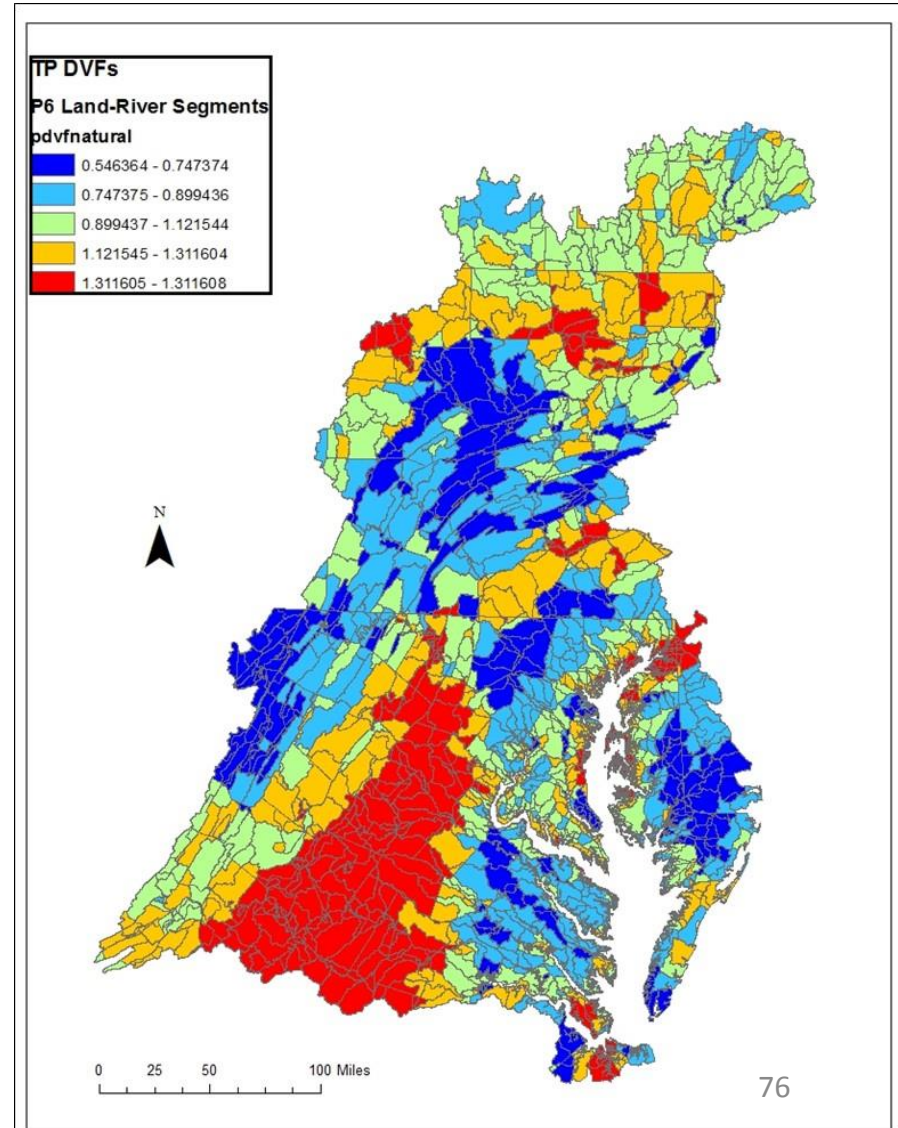
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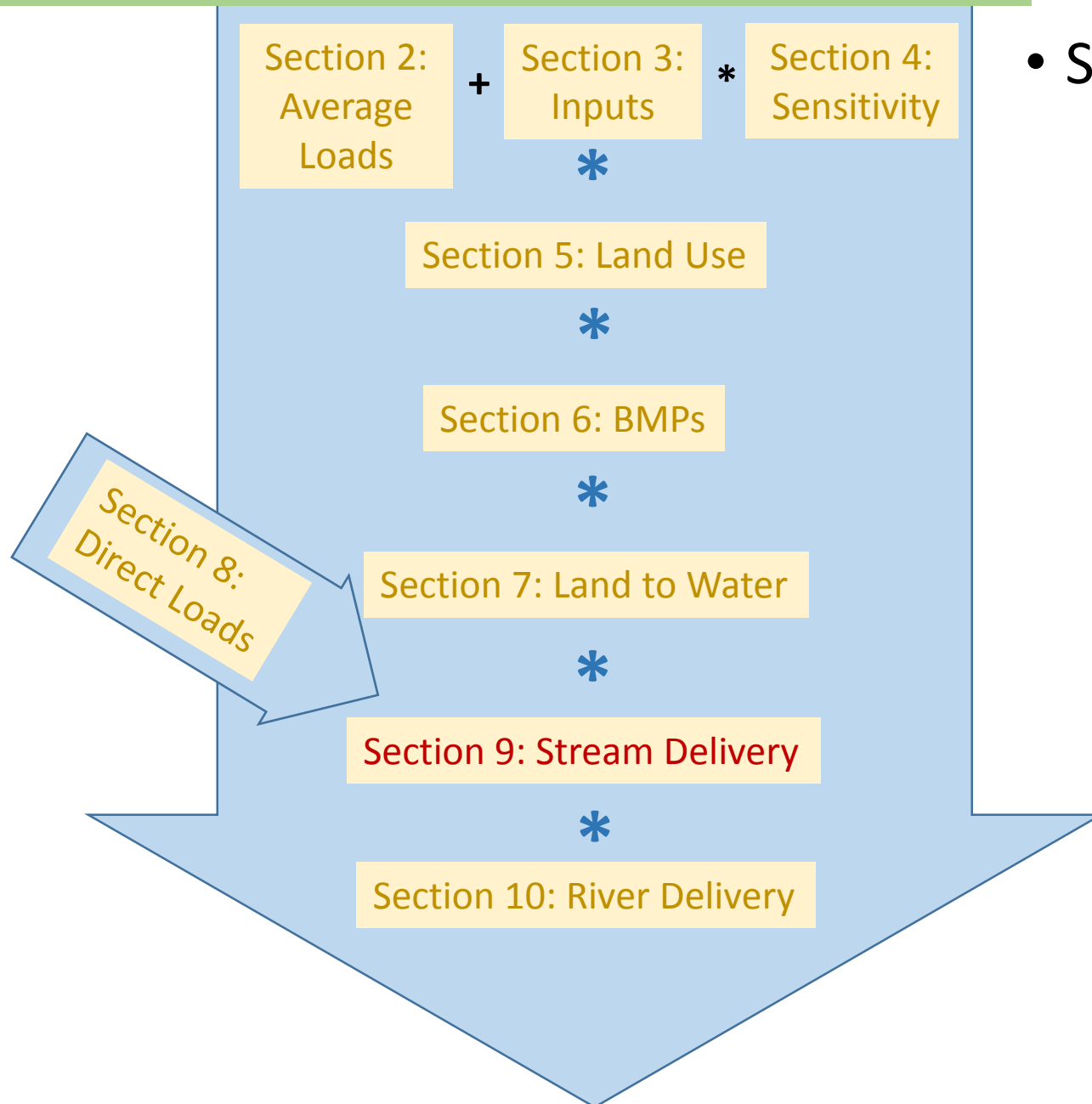
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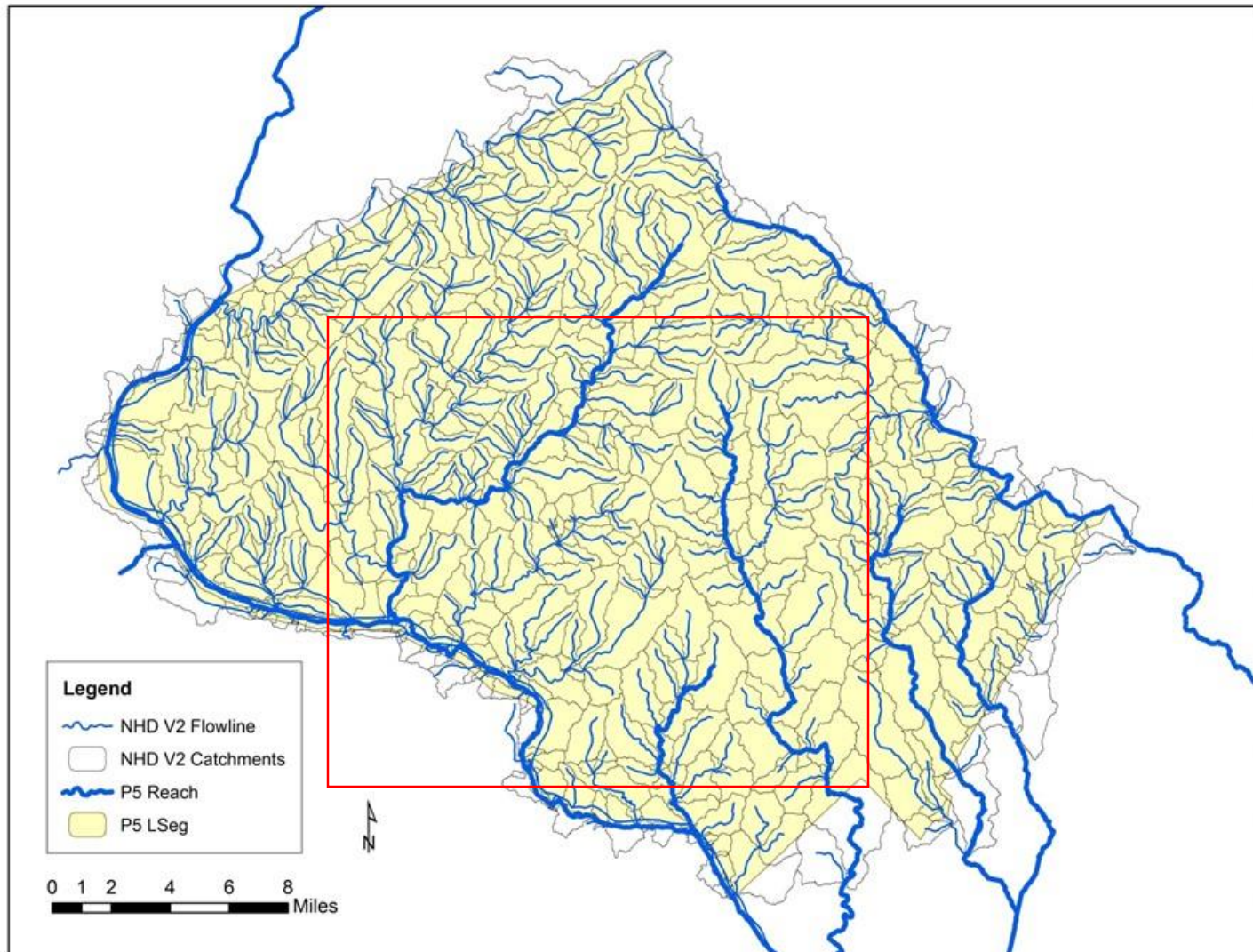


- Stream Delivery
 - The effect of small streams
 - Roughly 1st – 3rd order
 - Smaller than a river segment
 - Not simulated with HSPF

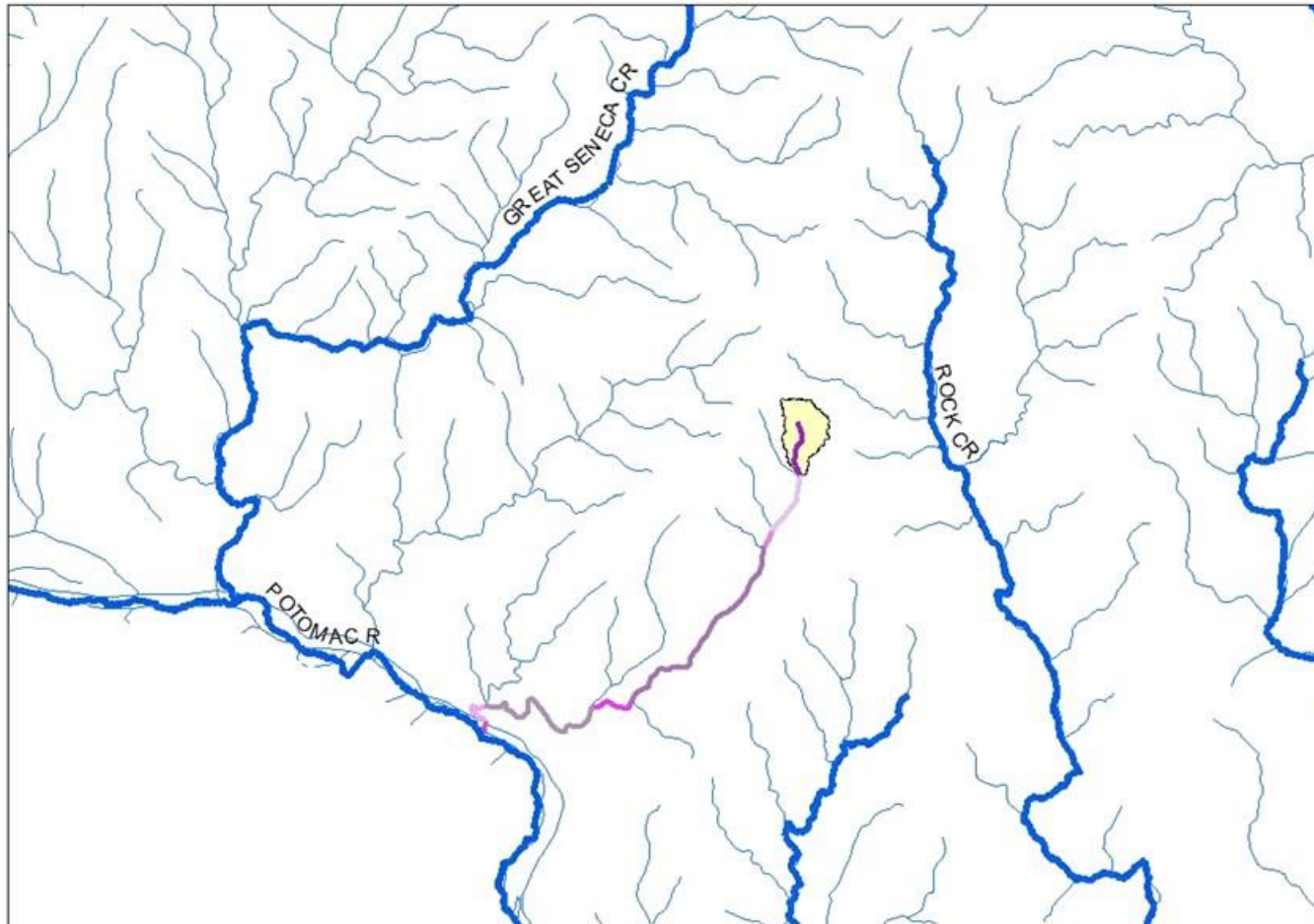
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Stream-to-River Factors (Aquatic Decay)	Impoundments: Hydraulic loading rate Rivers and streams: Average annual temperature Travel time	Impoundments: Hydraulic loading rate Rivers and streams: No losses represented

Comparison of NHD+ and P6 Scales



Transport Path from NHD+ Catchment to P6 River Reach



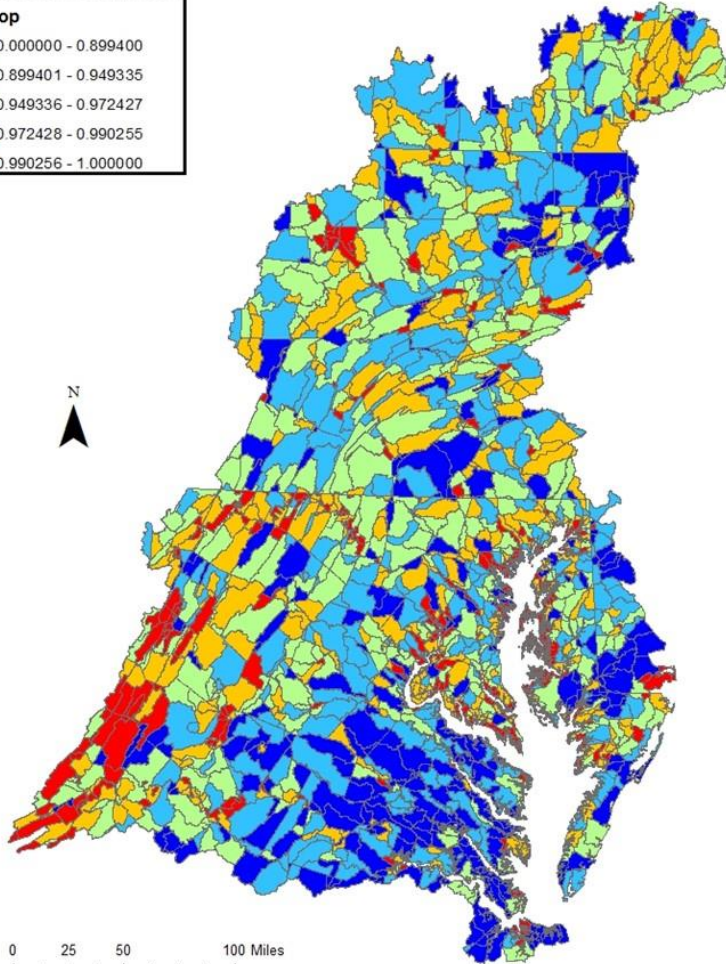
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- Nitrogen

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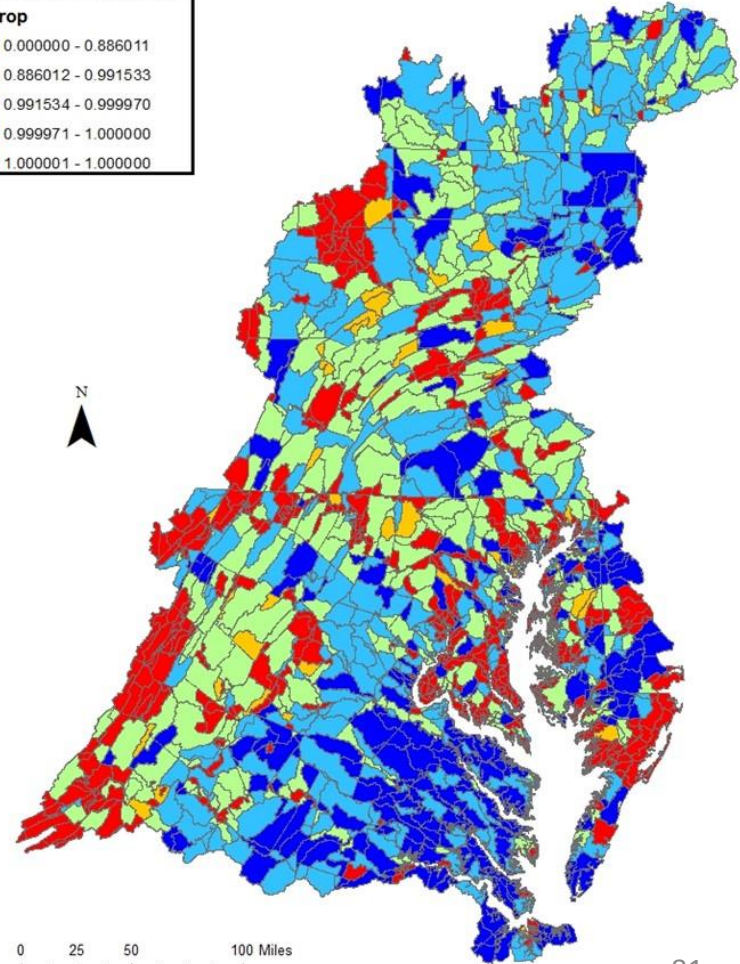
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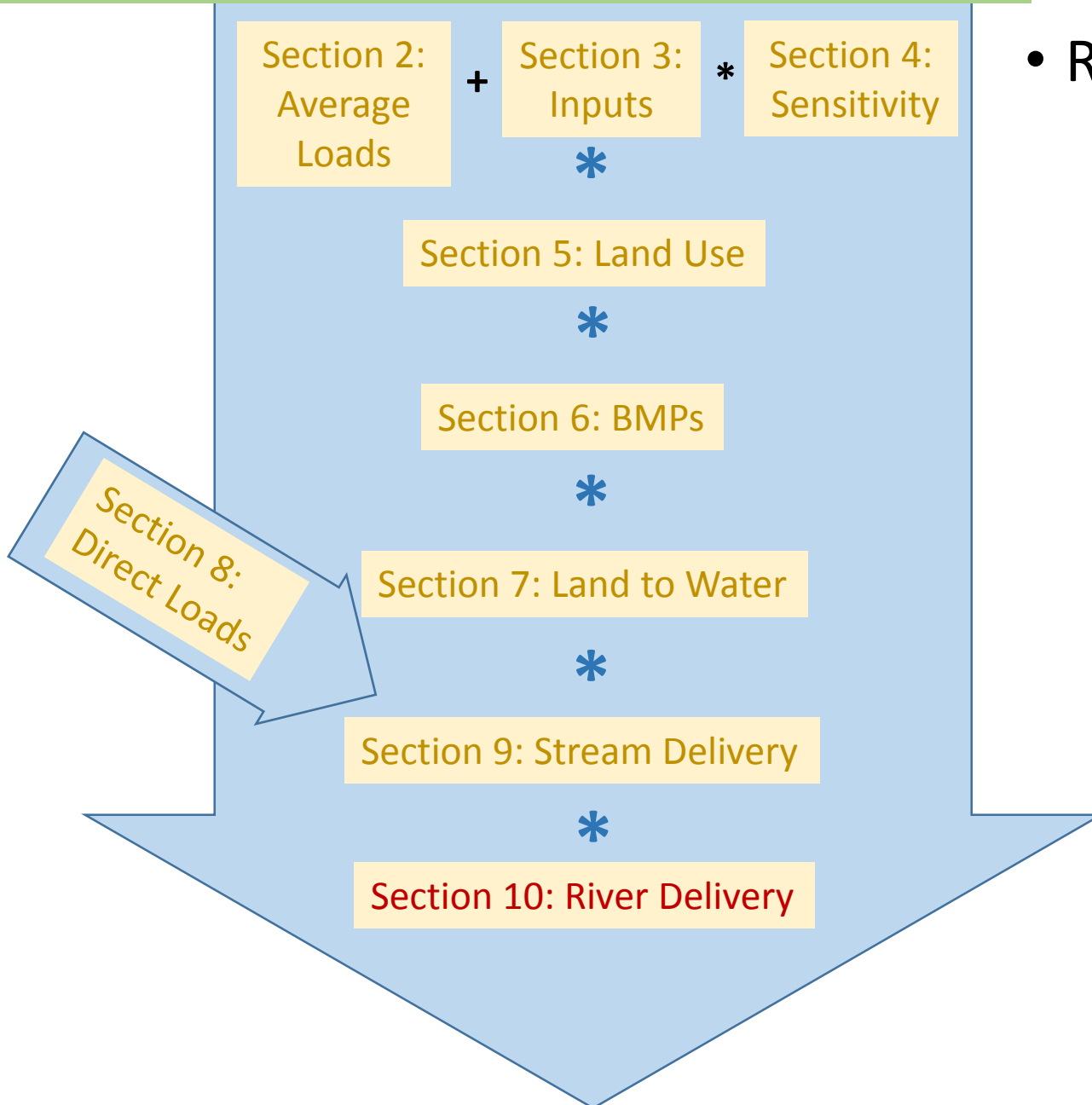
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- River Delivery
 - The effect of large rivers
 - Each river segment has exactly one large river
 - except for some coastal plain segments with no river
- Simulated with HSPF

CAST = WSM = Scenario Builder

Data

BMPs

Land
cover

Nutrient
availability

Census of
Agriculture

Physical
characteristics

...

Logic Engines

Land
use
calcula
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BMP
Land
use
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location

BMP
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Nutrient
Application

Sensitivity to
Nutrient
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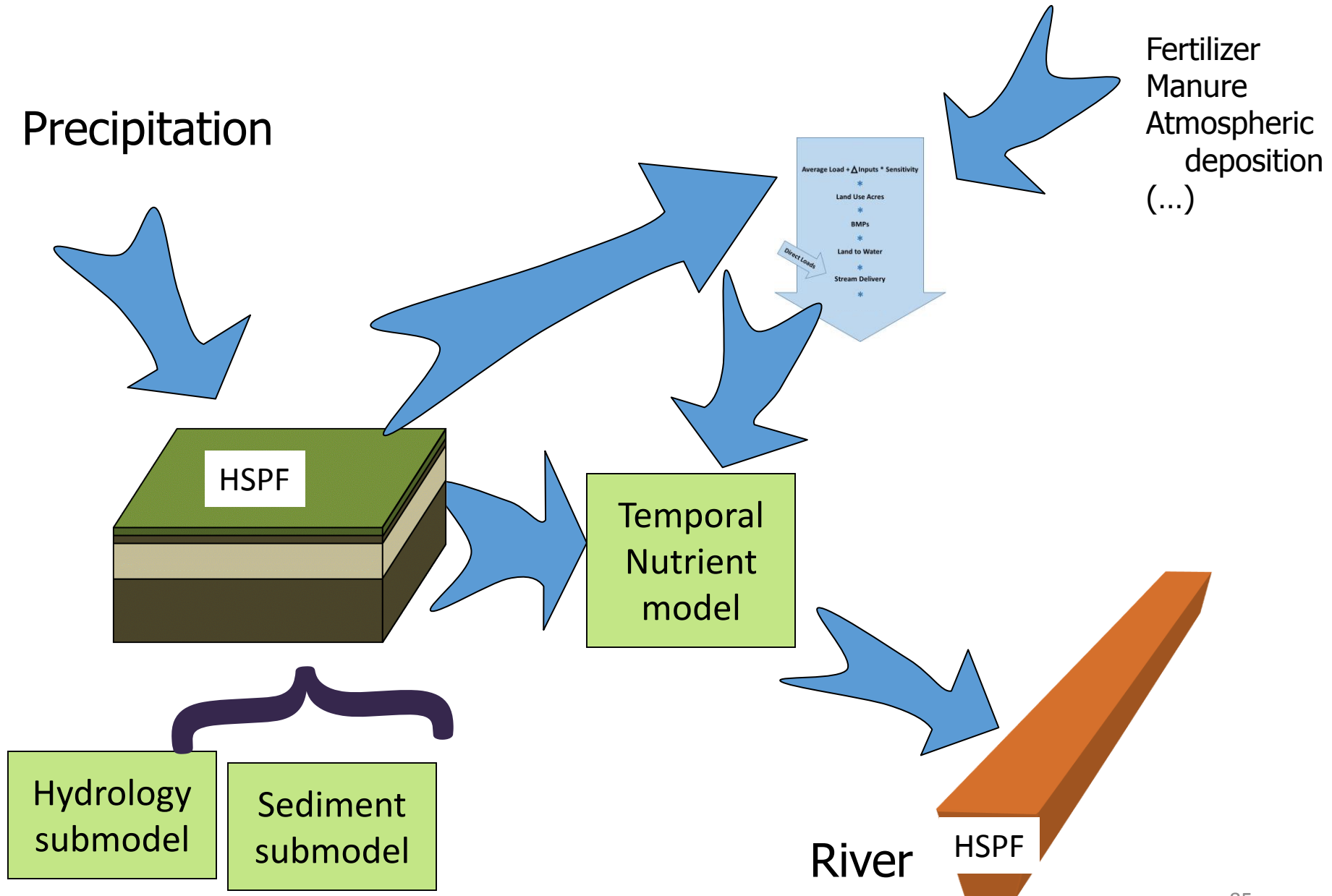
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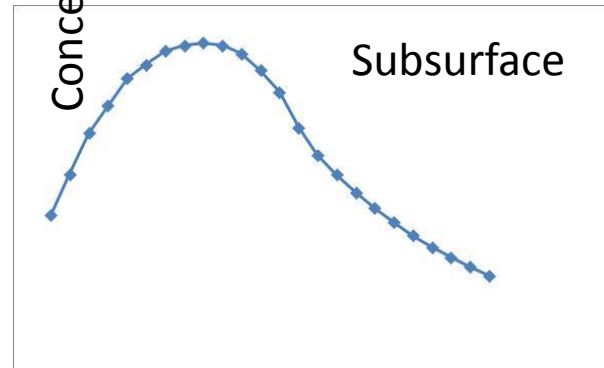
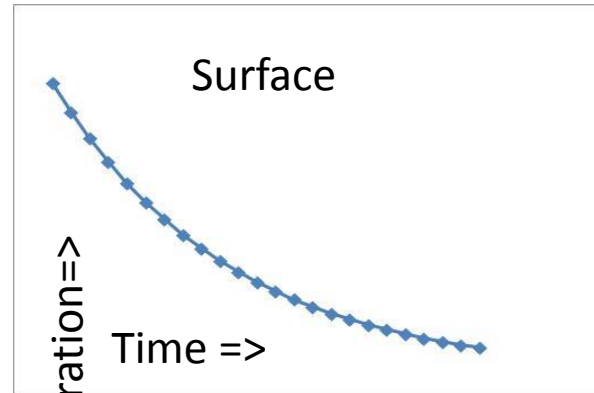
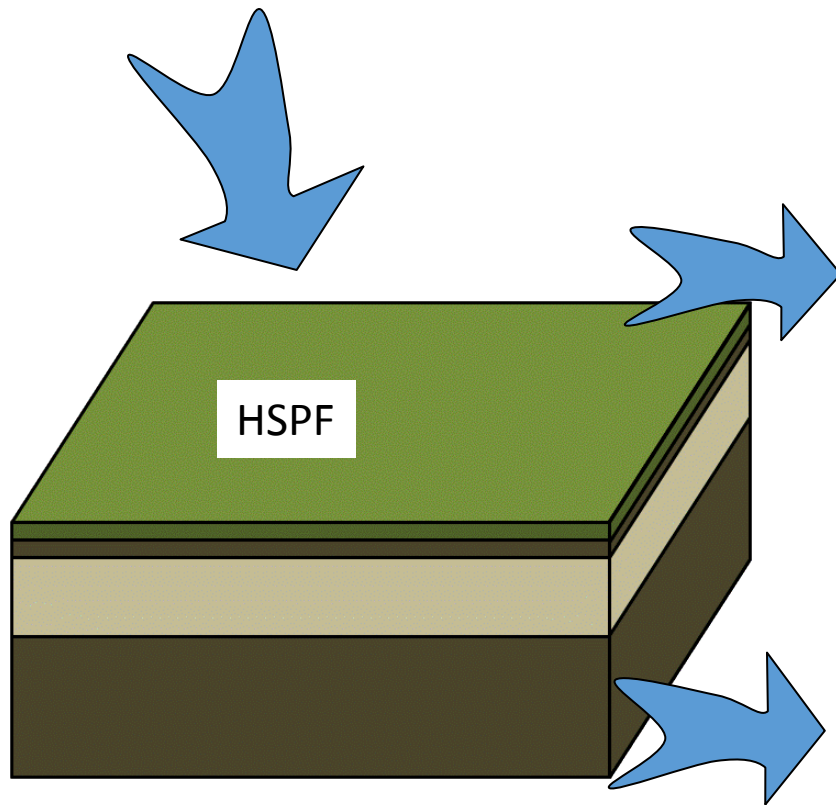
- **Calibrate the watershed model to observations**
 - Make sure the entire system matches observations
- **Supply parameters to the simulation of nutrients**
 - Flow and sediment are needed as inputs for the sensitivity calculation
- **Create Input loads for the estuarine model**
 - Need temporal and spatial loads
- **Investigate emergent watershed response**
 - Climate change
 - Lag times
- **Estimate delivery factors for simulated rivers**
 - The last box in the 'simple p6 model'

Model to compare against Observations



Lag Models - Nitrogen

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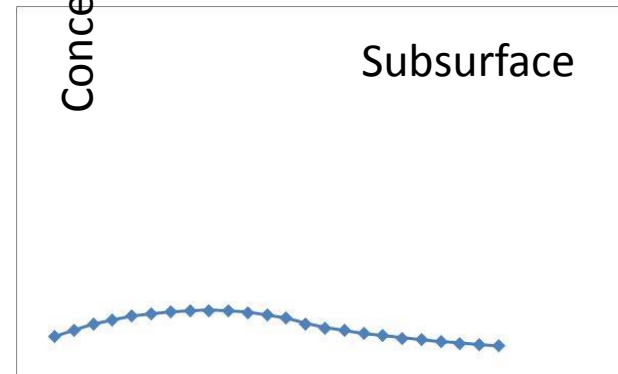
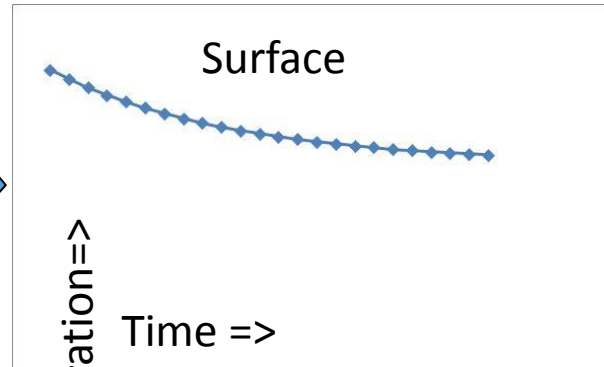
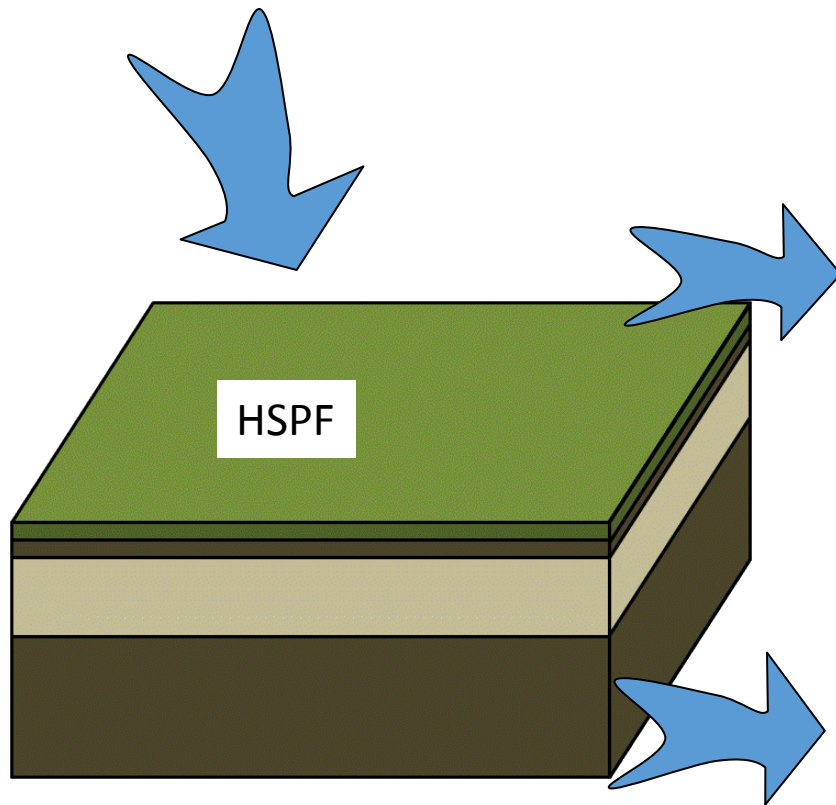


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Lag Models - Phosphorus

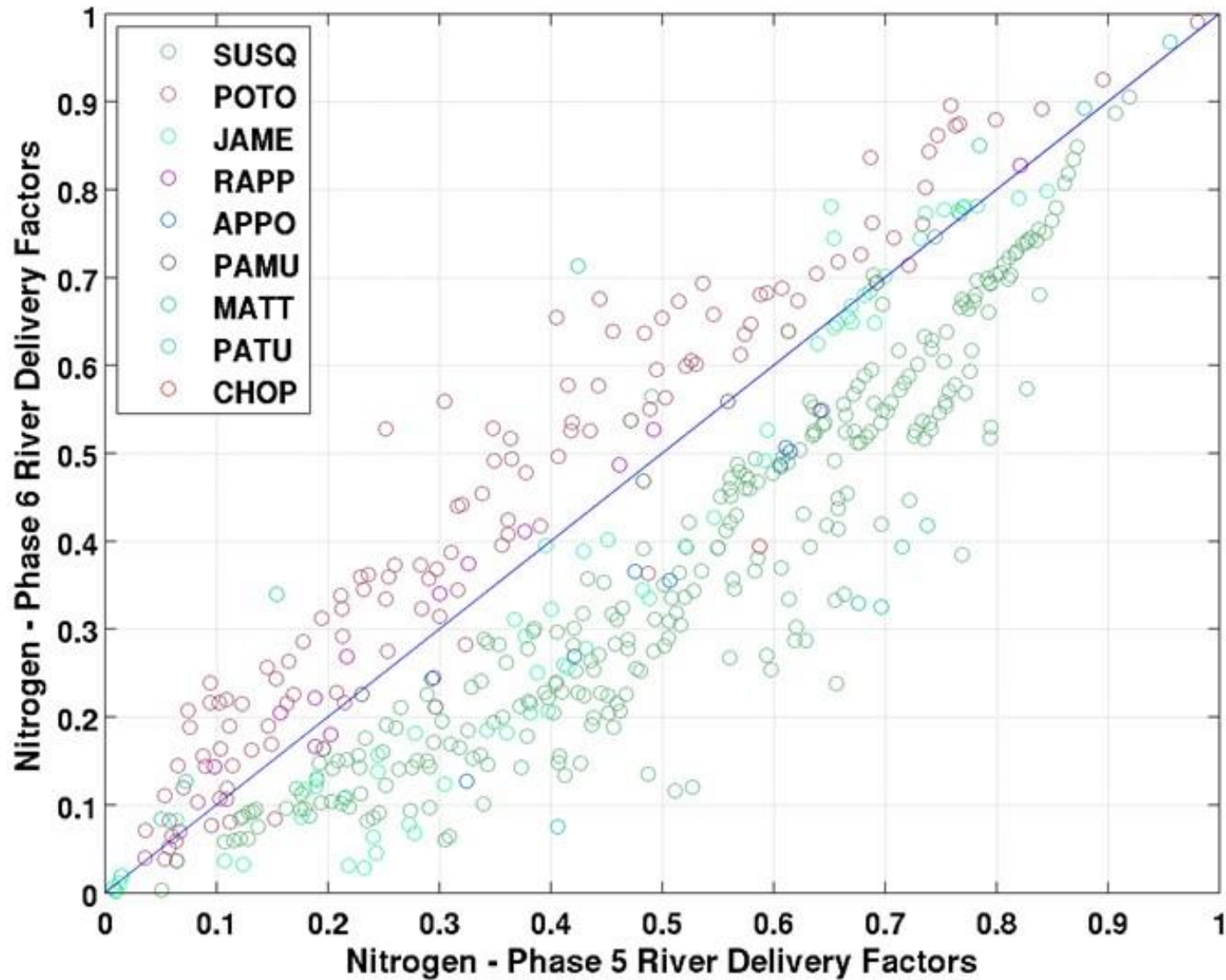
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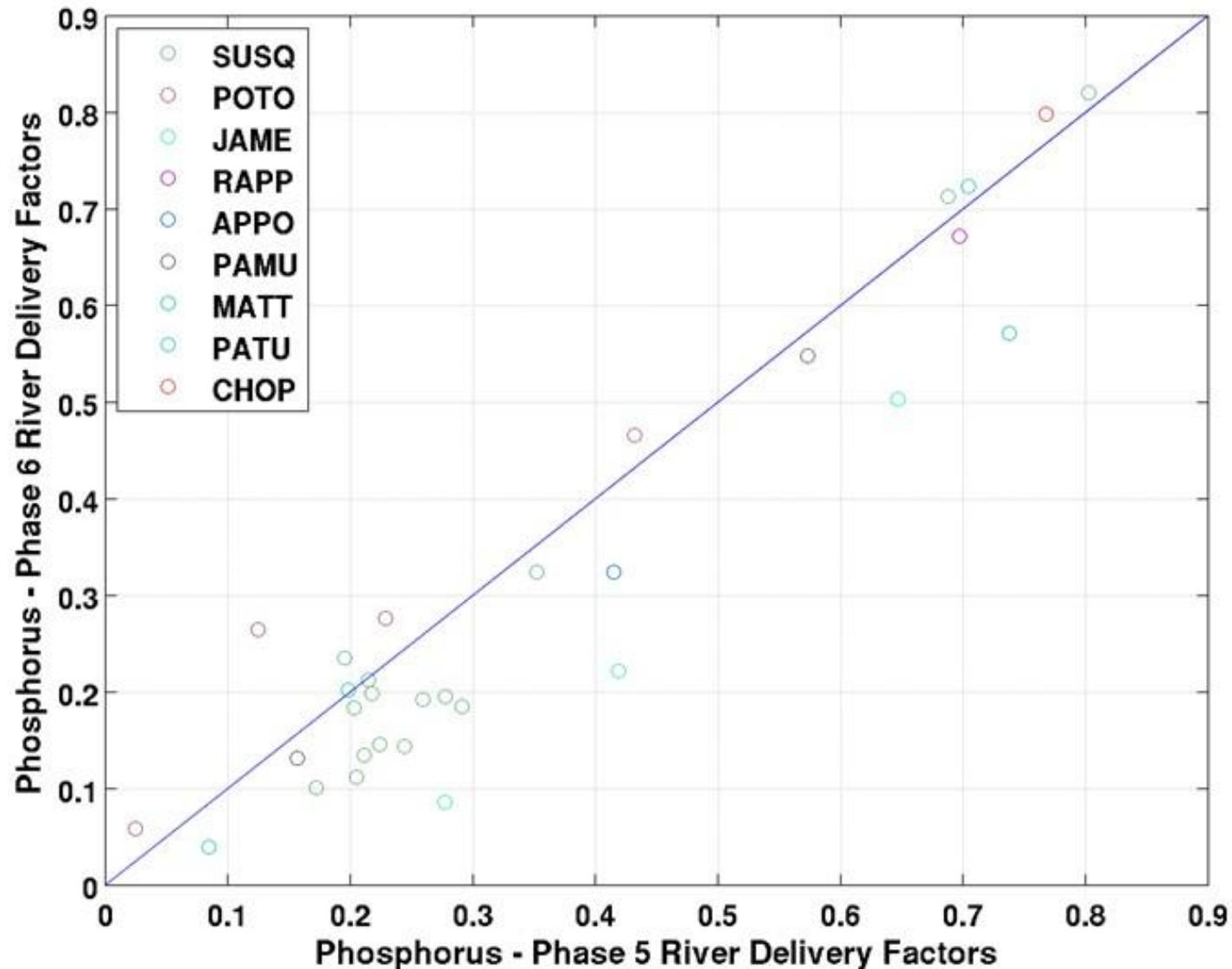
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Nitrogen delivery factors



Phosphorus delivery factors



Moment of Truth

- Phase 5 – Complex process model
- Phase 6 - Simple models built of consensus decisions

... but does it work?

Compare

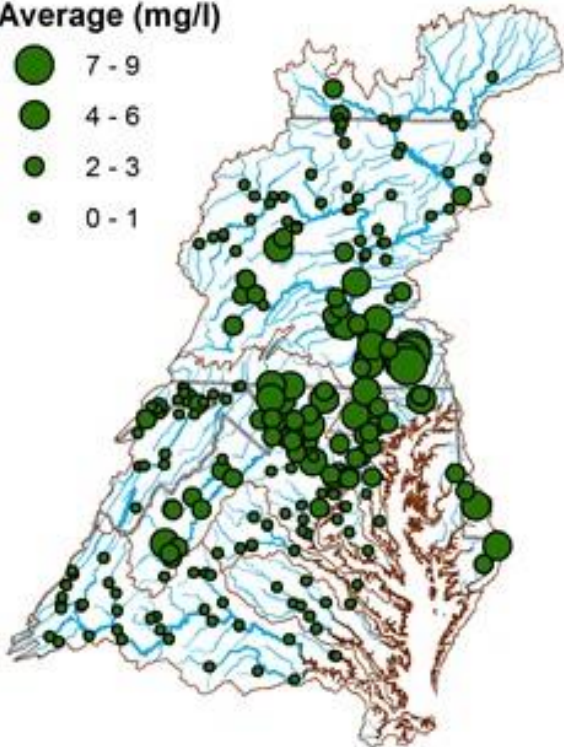
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Lightly-Calibrated Phase 6

Monitoring Stations

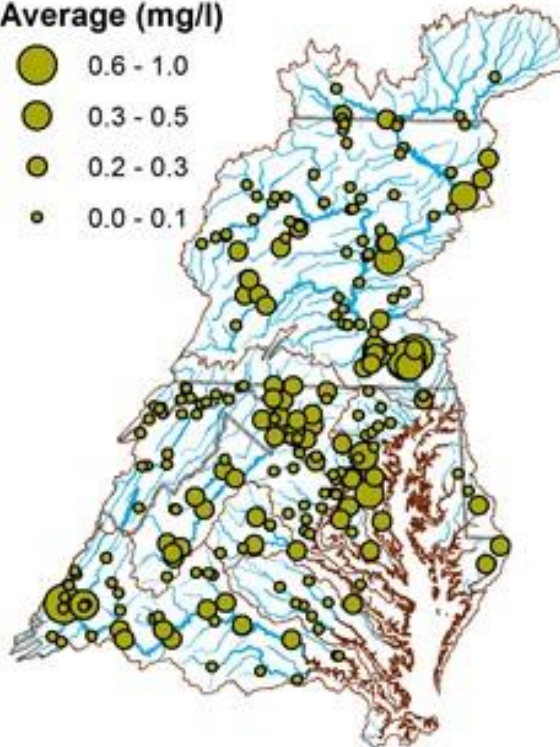
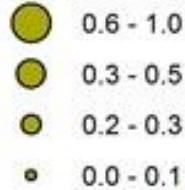
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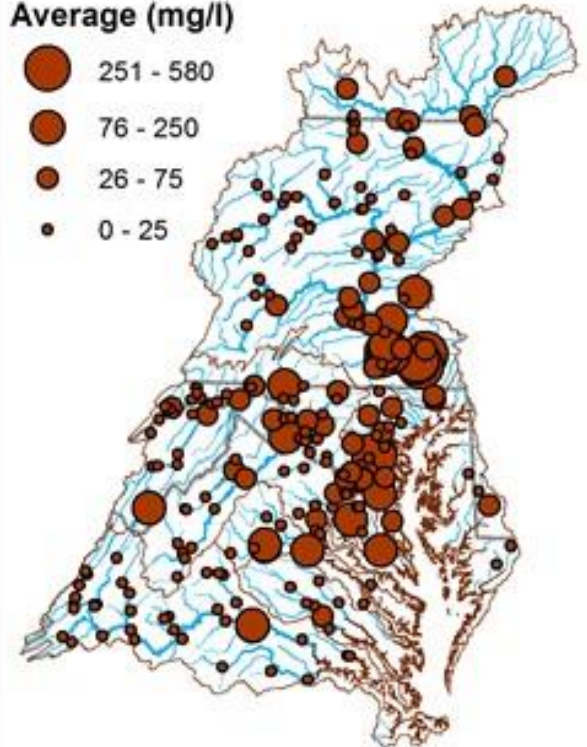
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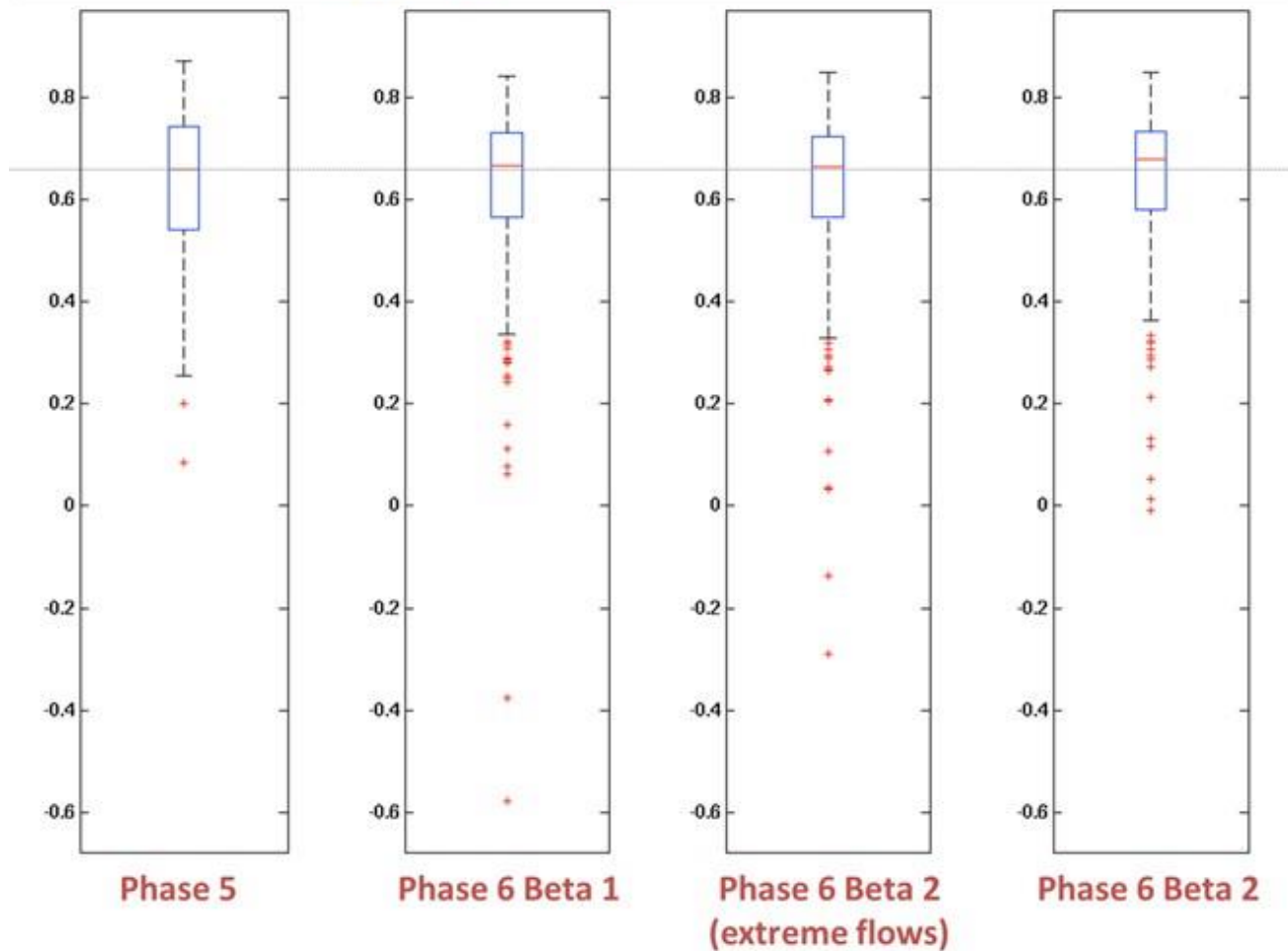
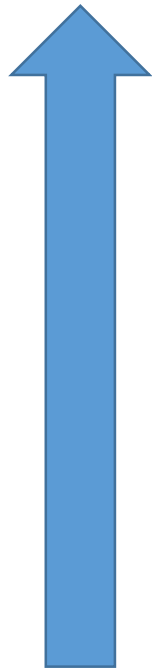
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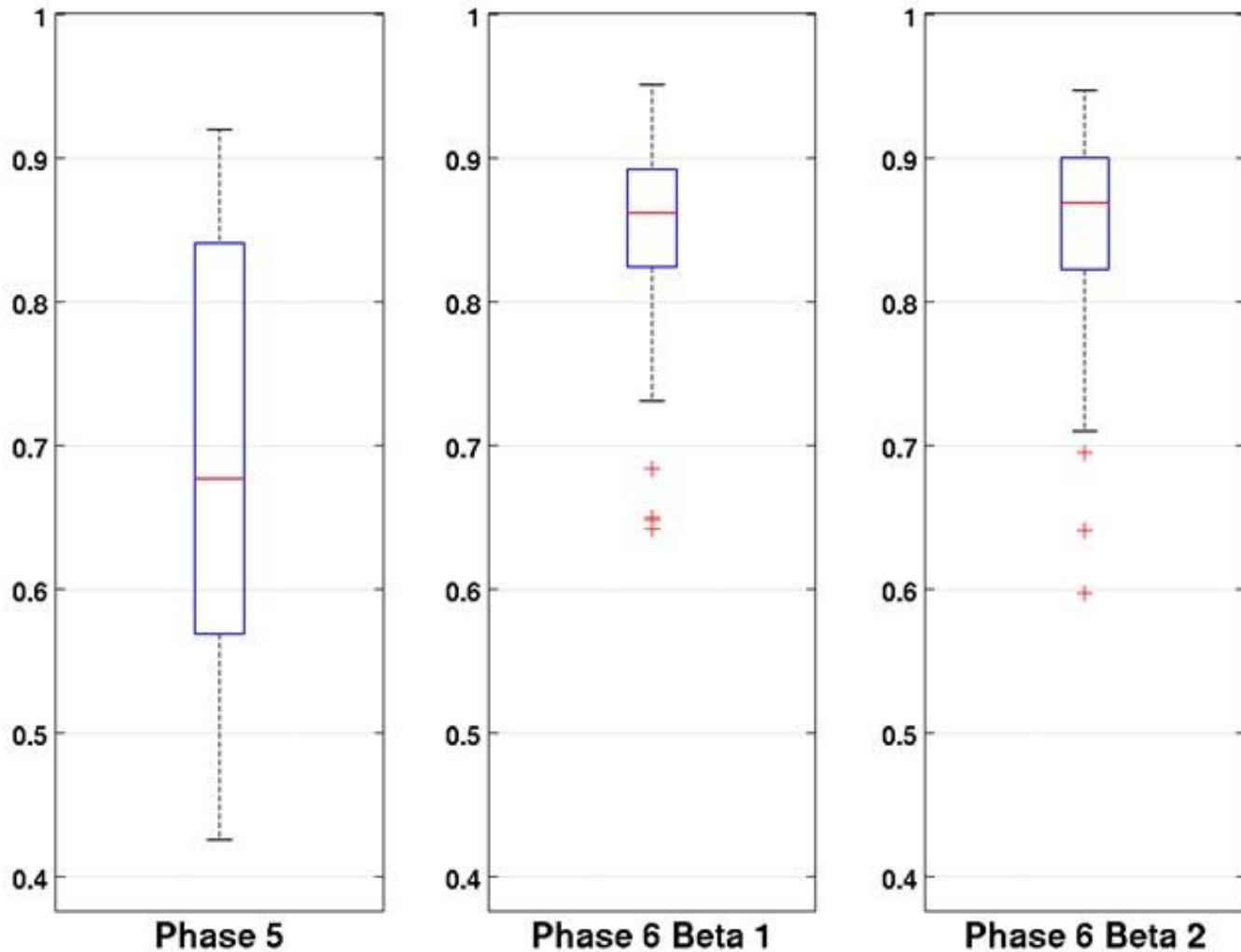
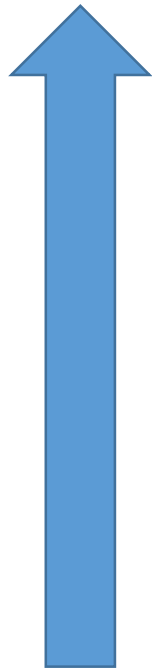
Nash-Sutcliffe Efficiency at 191 Calibration Stations

Better
simulation



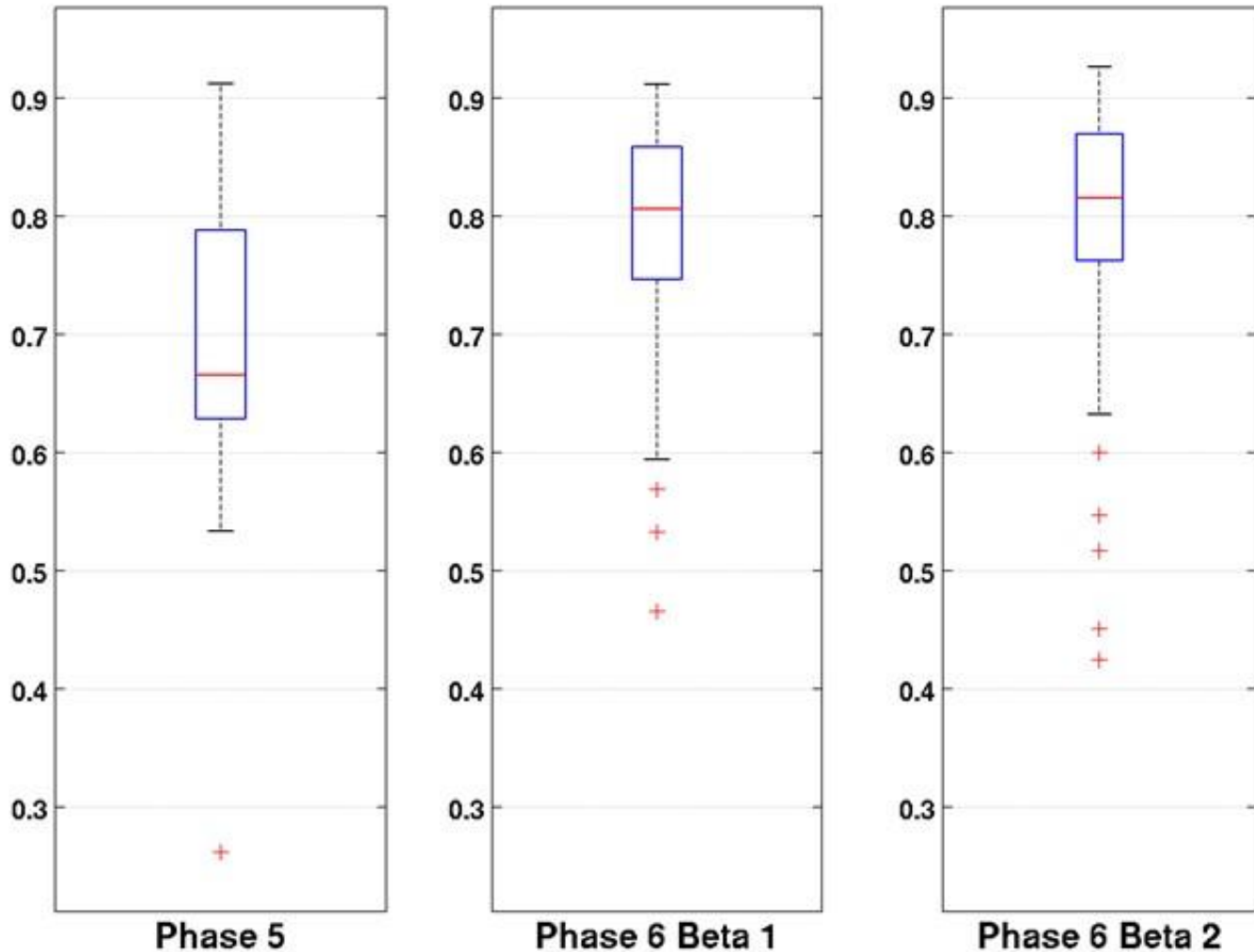
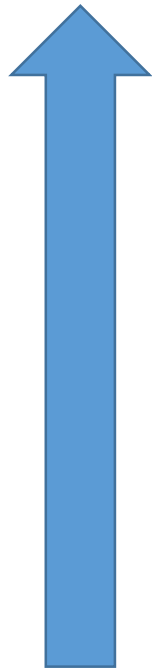
Nitrogen Seasonal Correlation

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Phosphorus Seasonal Correlation

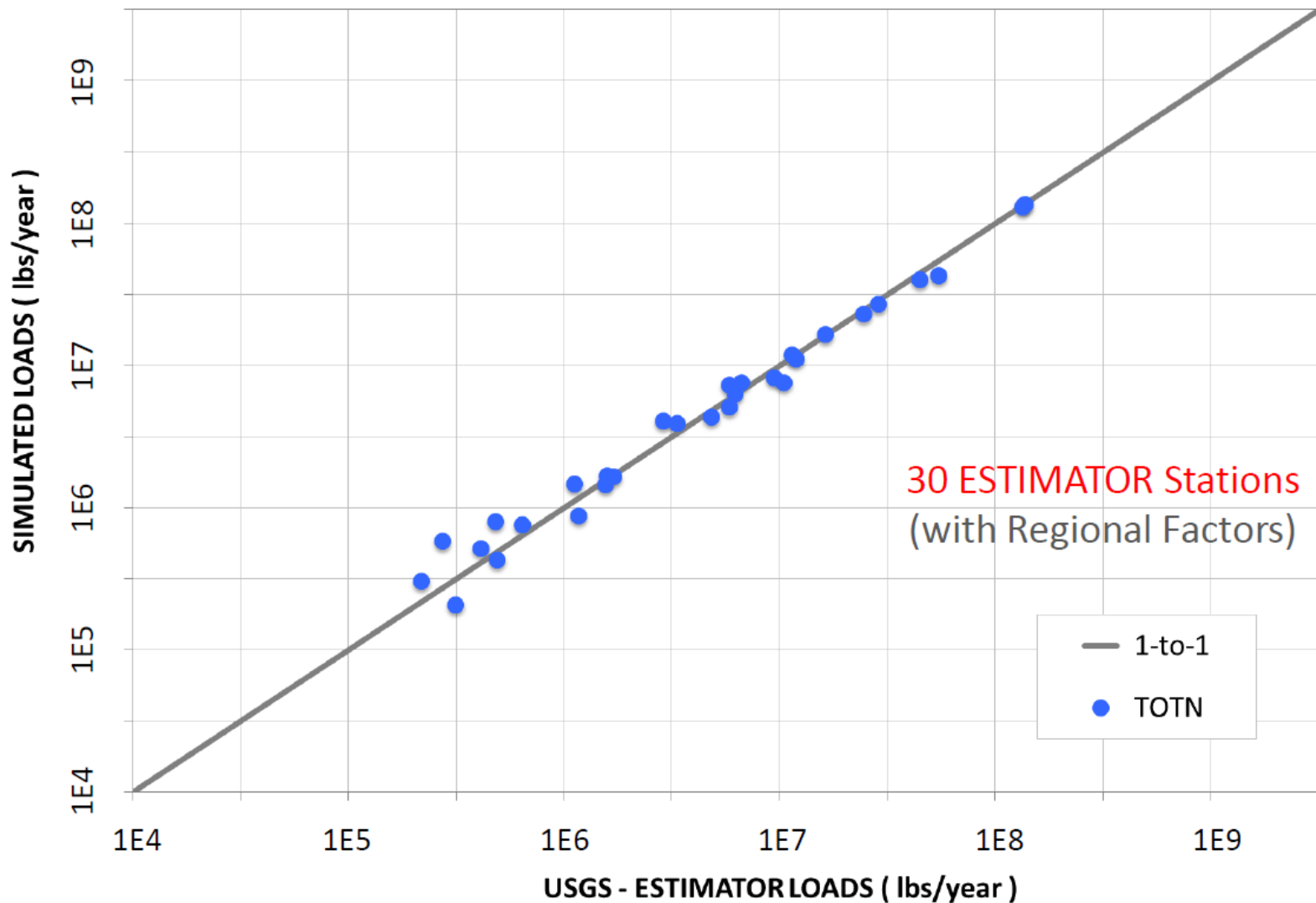
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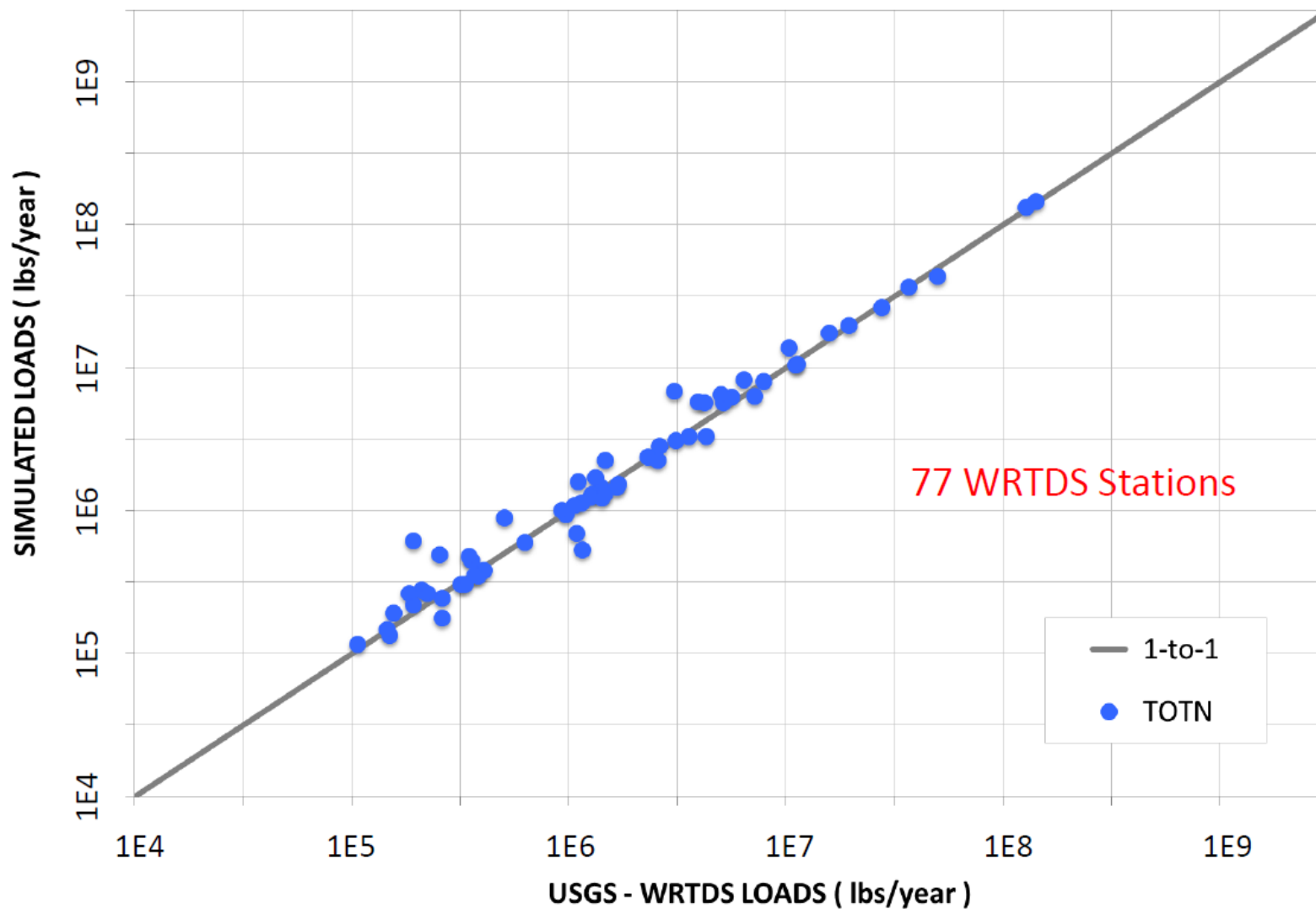
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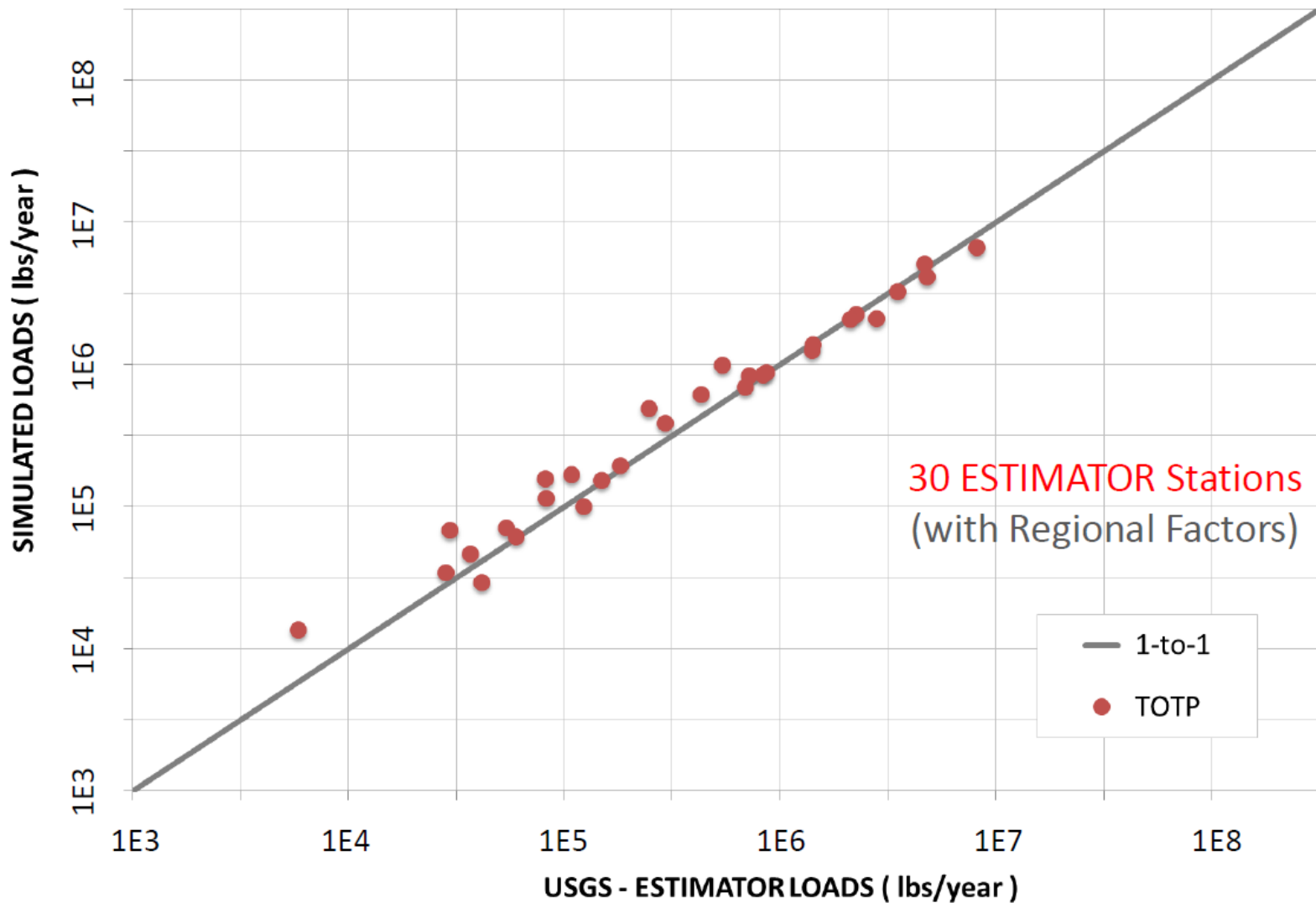
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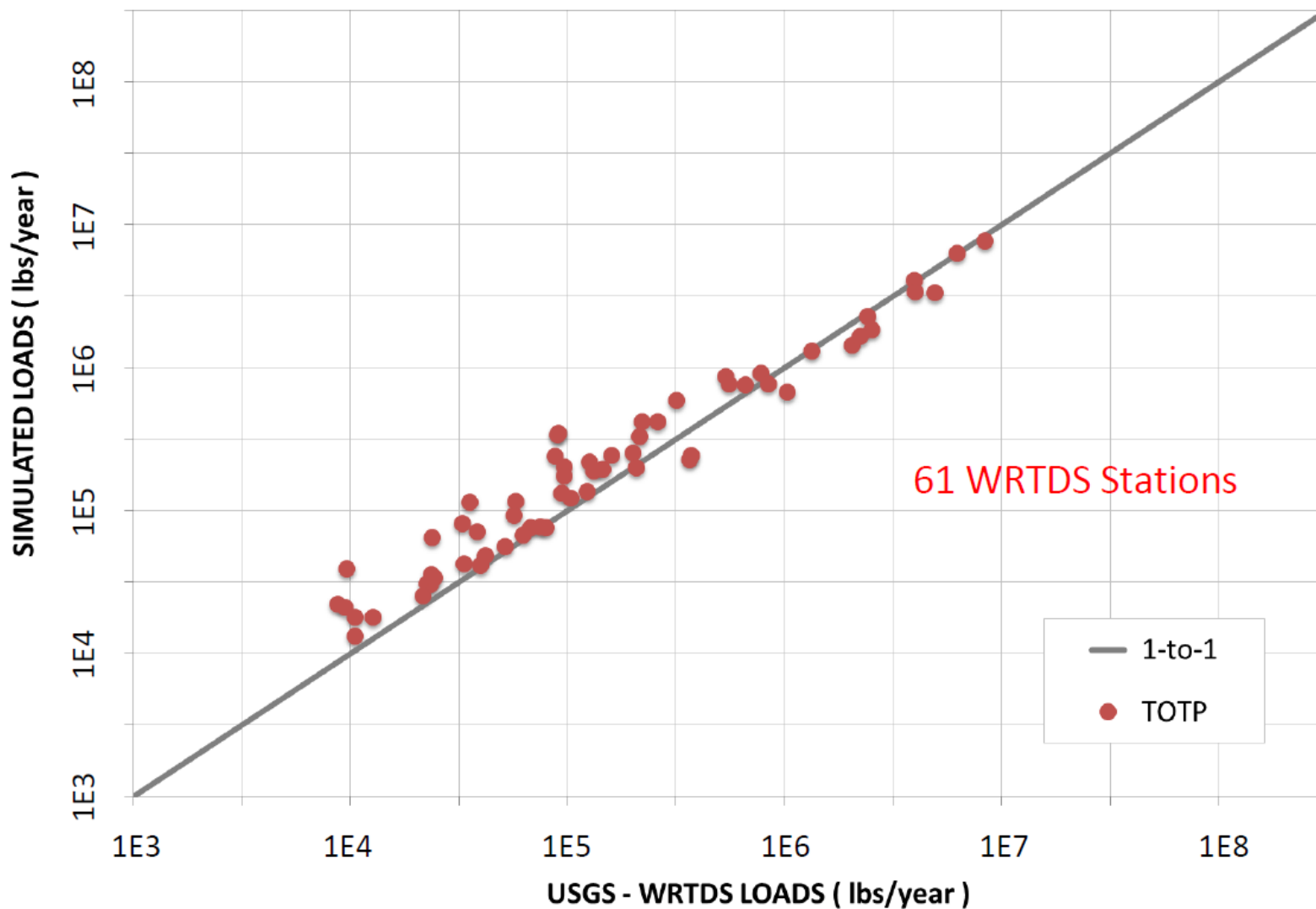
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Sediment is similar to nutrients but no sensitivity

Nutrients

Phase 6 Model Structure

Average Load + Δ Inputs * Sensitivity

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Land Use Acres

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BMPs

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Land to Water

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Stream Delivery

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River Delivery

Direct Loads

Sediment

Phase 6 Model Structure

RUSLE2 Estimate

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Land Use Acres

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Direct Loads



Mass Balance at the L2W step rather than the average load step

Nutrients

Phase 6 Model Structure

Average Load + Δ Inputs * Sensitivity

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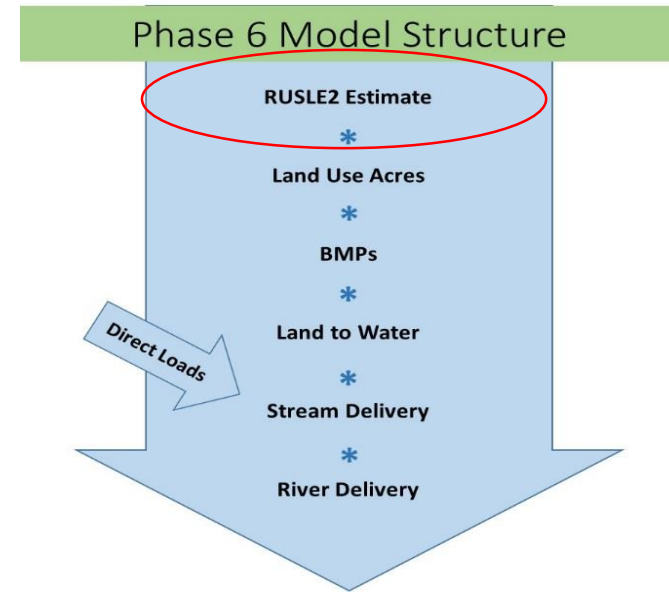
Stream Delivery

River Delivery

Direct Loads

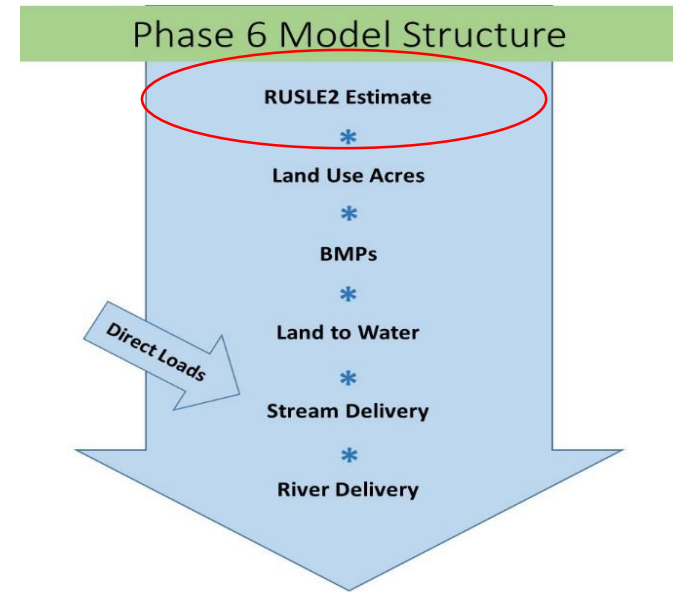
RUSLE2 = Edge-of-Field Loads

- Evaluated at the 10m Pixel Level
- Summarized to LRseg and land use
 - Forest
 - Open Space
 - Crop
 - Pasture
 - Turfgrass
 - Tree Canopy over Turfgrass



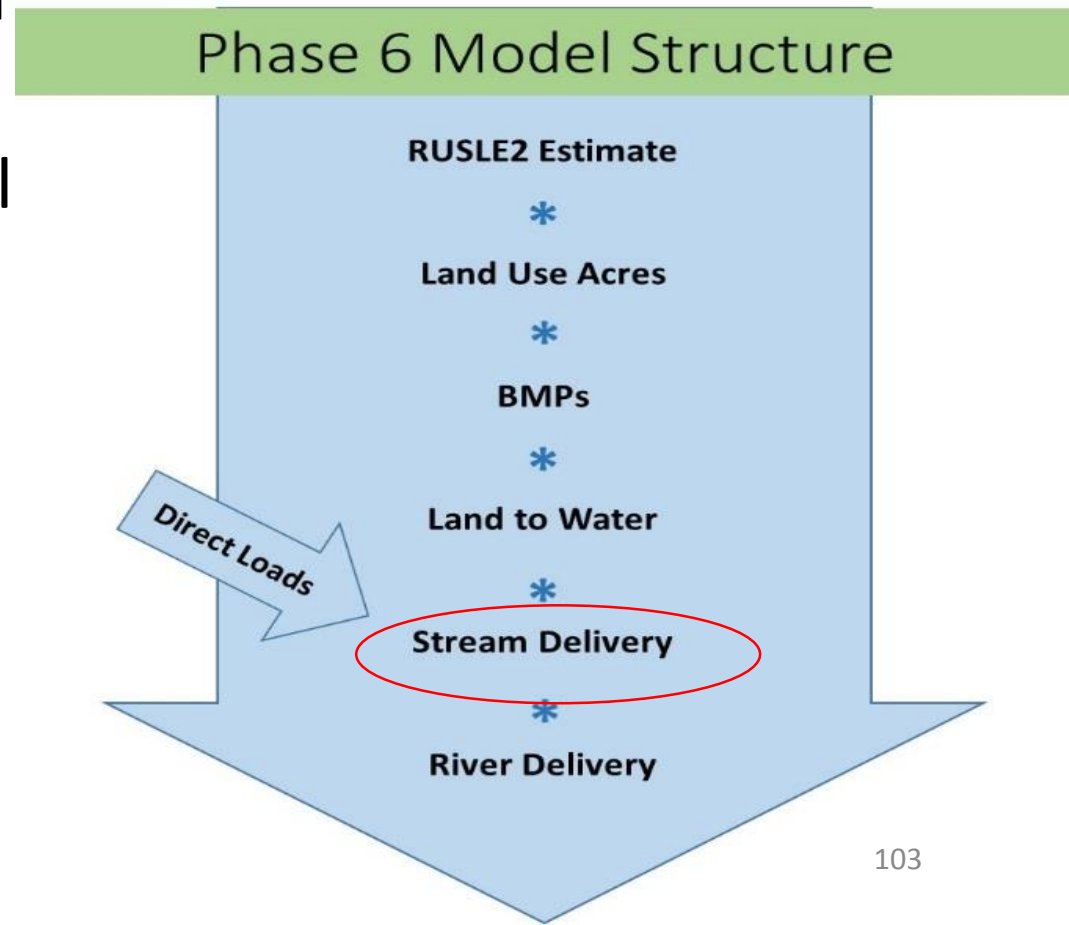
RUSLE2 \Rightarrow A = RKLSCP

- R = Runoff
 - $= 1.24P^{1.36}$ P from PRISM
- K = Erodibility
 - from STATSGO and gSSURGO
- LS = slope length
 - $= (\text{Flow Accumulation} \times \text{Cell Resolution} / 22.1)^{0.4}$
 $\times (\sin(\text{Slope} \times 0.01745) / 0.09)^{1.4} \times 1.4$
- C = Cover
 - from Tetrattech and AgWG
- P = Practice
 - = 1 since no action loads



Stream Delivery – Ag and Natural

- Will be Greg Noe / Peter Claggett stream mass balance
- Assumed to be 1 until completed



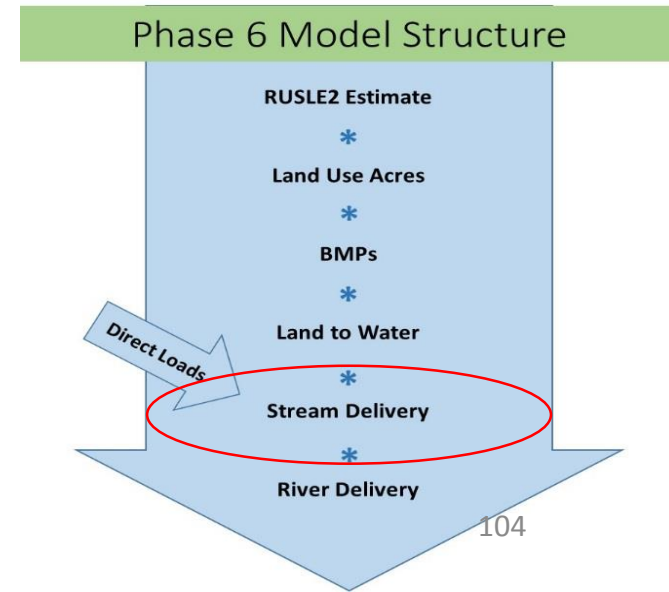
Stream Delivery – Developed

- Center for Watershed Protection Work

$$SSR = 1 - \frac{\text{Upland Load}}{\text{Total Watershed Load}}$$

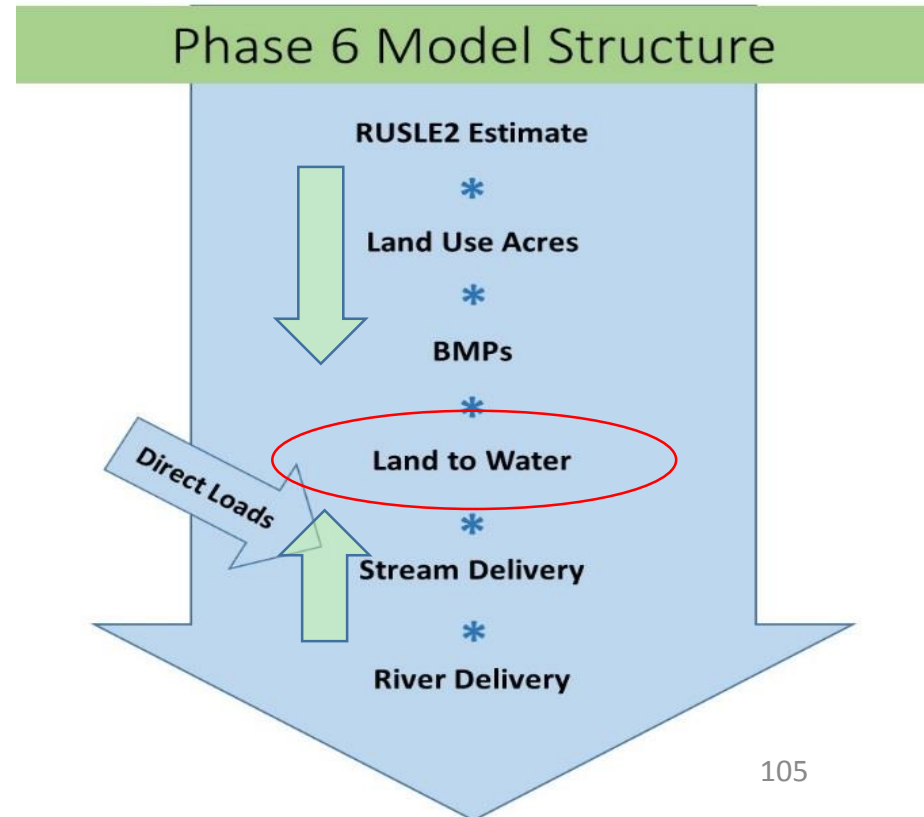
Stream Source Load = Land Source Load * SSR / (1 – SSR)

$$\begin{aligned} SSR = & 1.4085 * (\text{fraction Impervious}) \\ & + 0.5341 * (\text{fraction CD soils}) \\ & - 0.2828 \end{aligned}$$



Land to Water – calculate average

- $[(\text{RUSLE2} * \text{acres} * \text{BMPs} * \text{L2W}) + \text{SD}] * \text{RD} = \text{RIM Load}$
- $\text{L2W} = [(\text{RIM} / \text{RD}) - \text{SD}] / (\text{RUSLE2} * \text{acres} * \text{BMPs})$
- $\text{L2W} = 0.25$

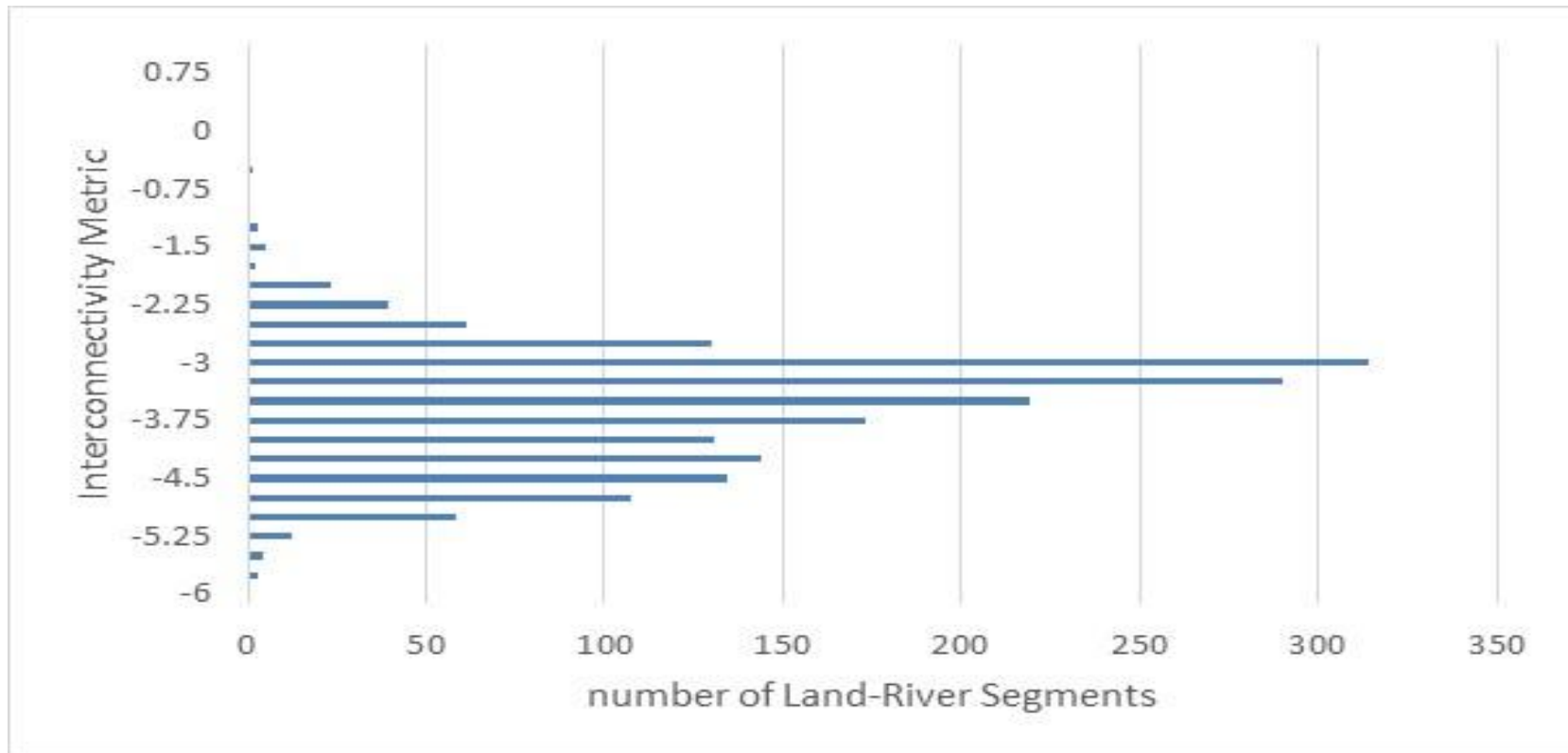


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Interconnectivity Metric

Beta 2

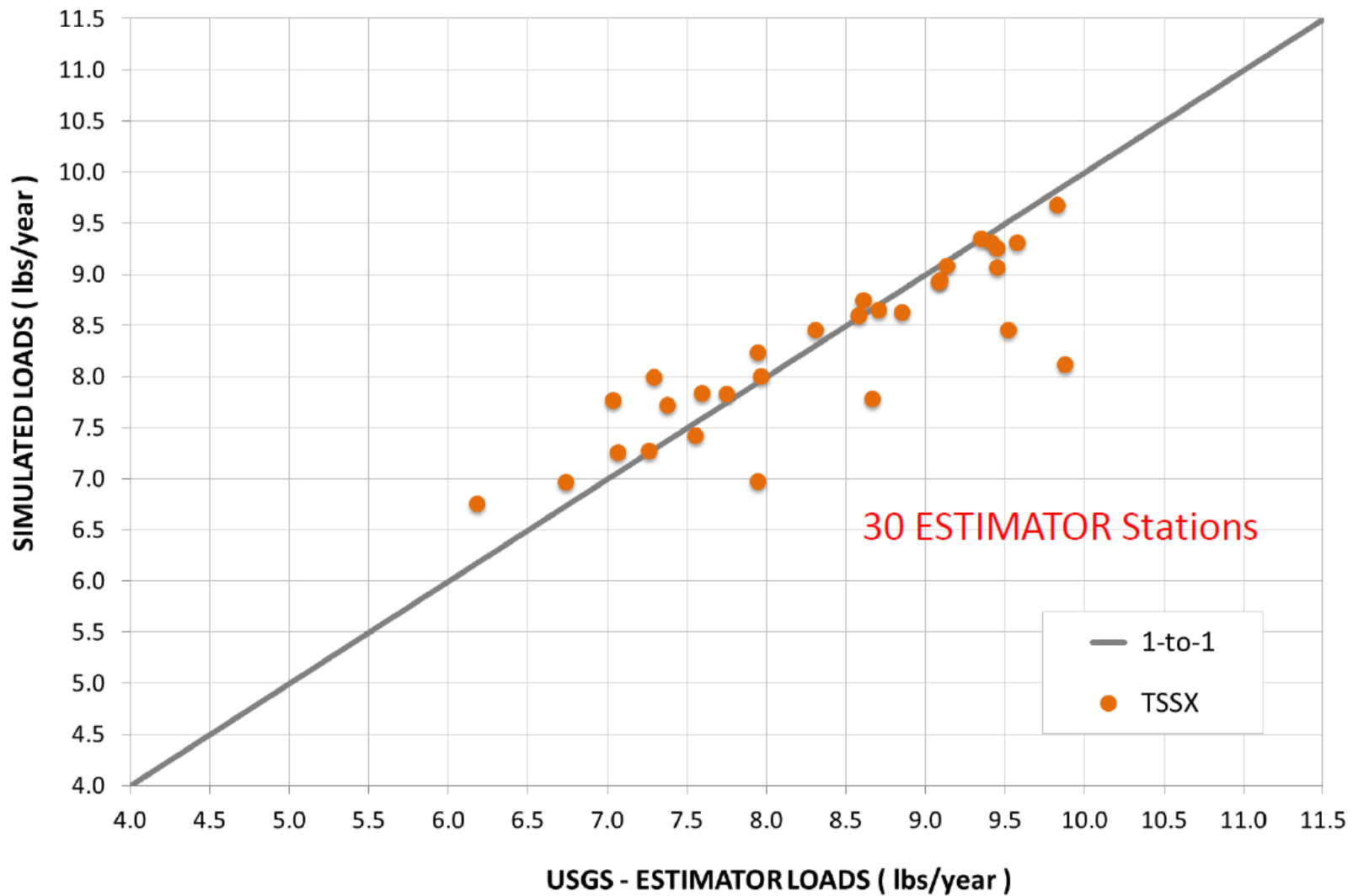
Calculation related to Slope, Area,
Flowpath Length, and Roughness



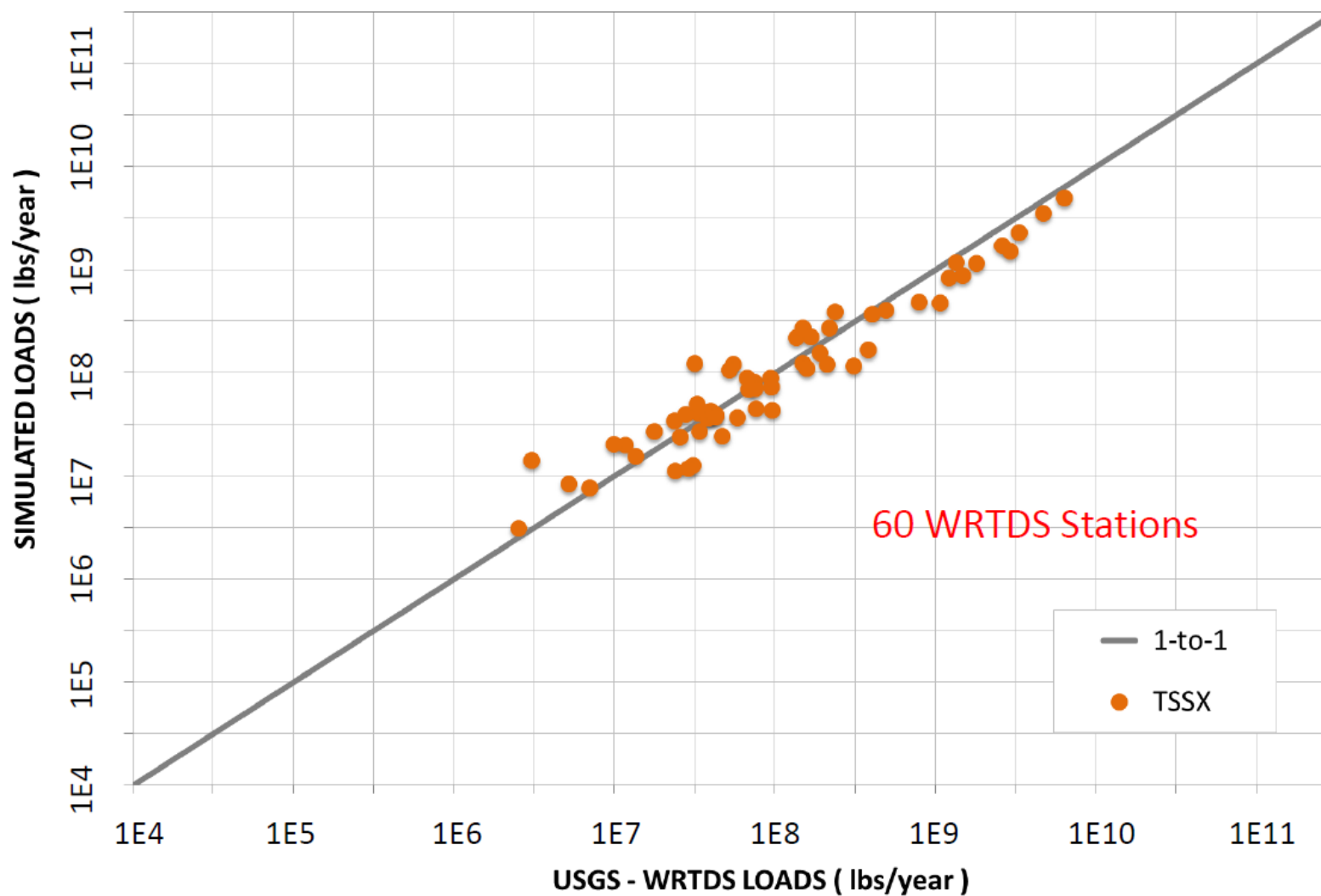
PHASE 5

SEDIMENT

Load



Load



Non-Tidal Water Quality Dashboard

WRTDS/WSM Dashboard

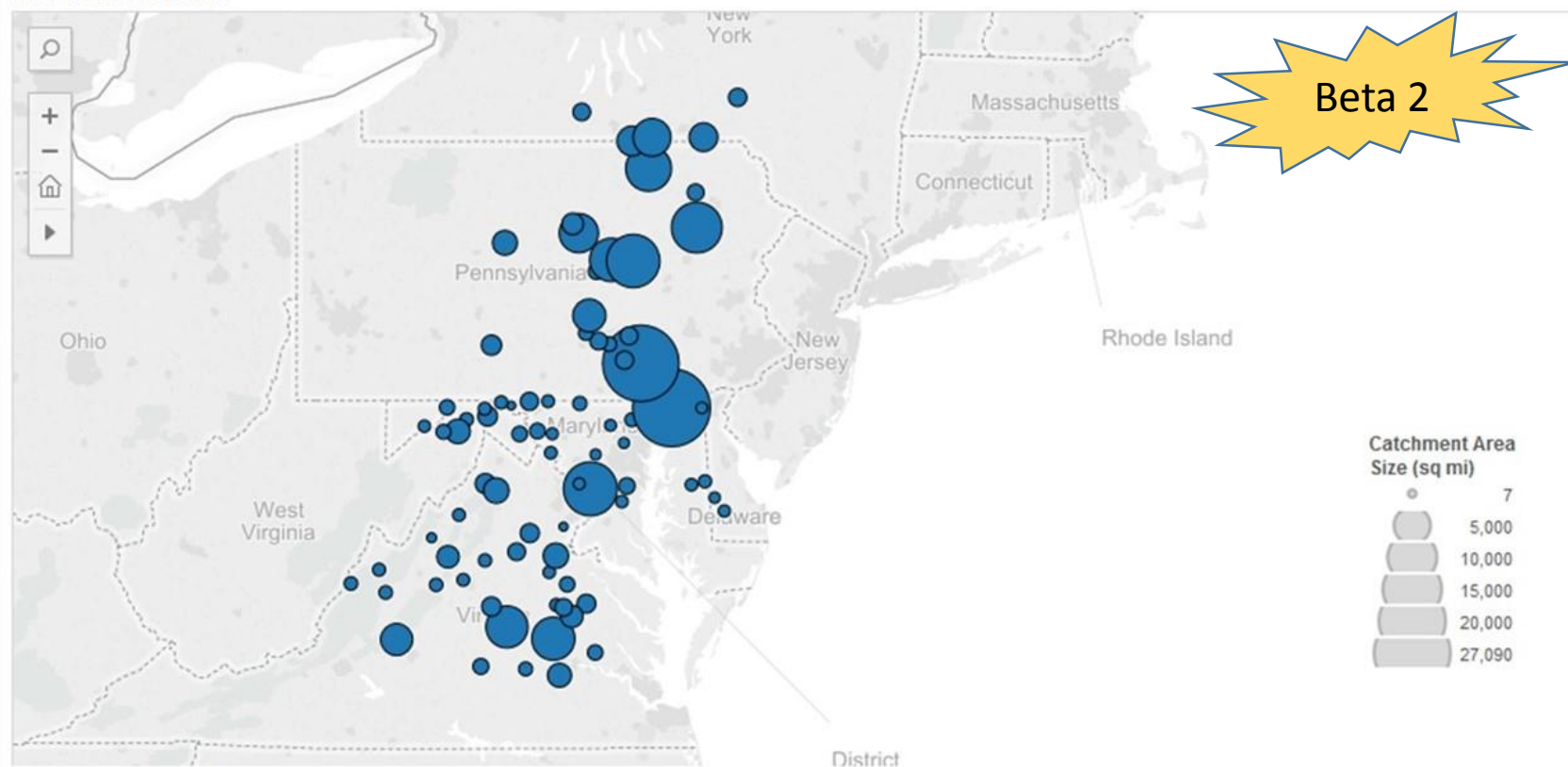
Chesapeake Bay Non-Tidal WRTDS/WSM Data

Select a parameter from the dropdown menu, then select a monitoring station from the map. The WRTDS and WSM values will be shown on the chart below. More information on the Watershed Model can be found at: http://www.chesapeakebay.net/groups/group/modeling_team

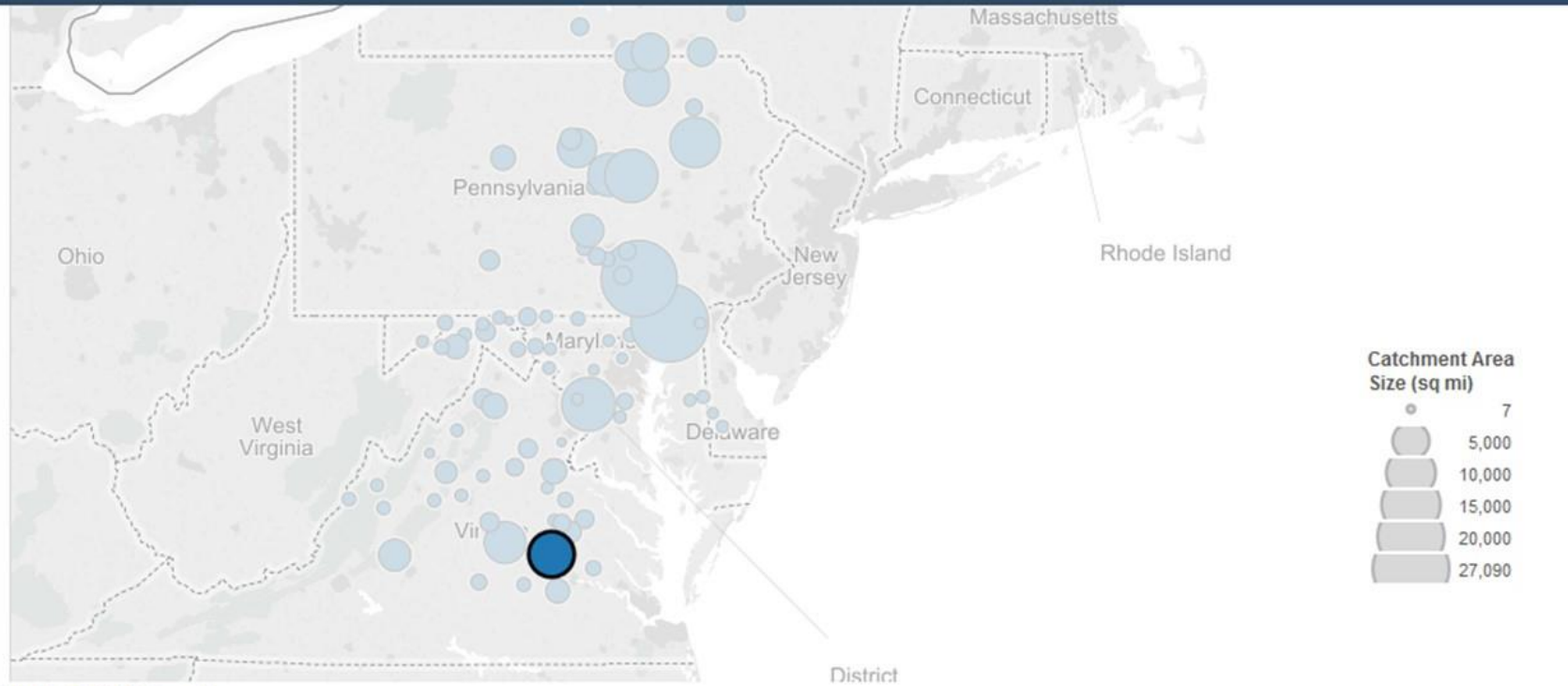
Parameter

Total nitrogen

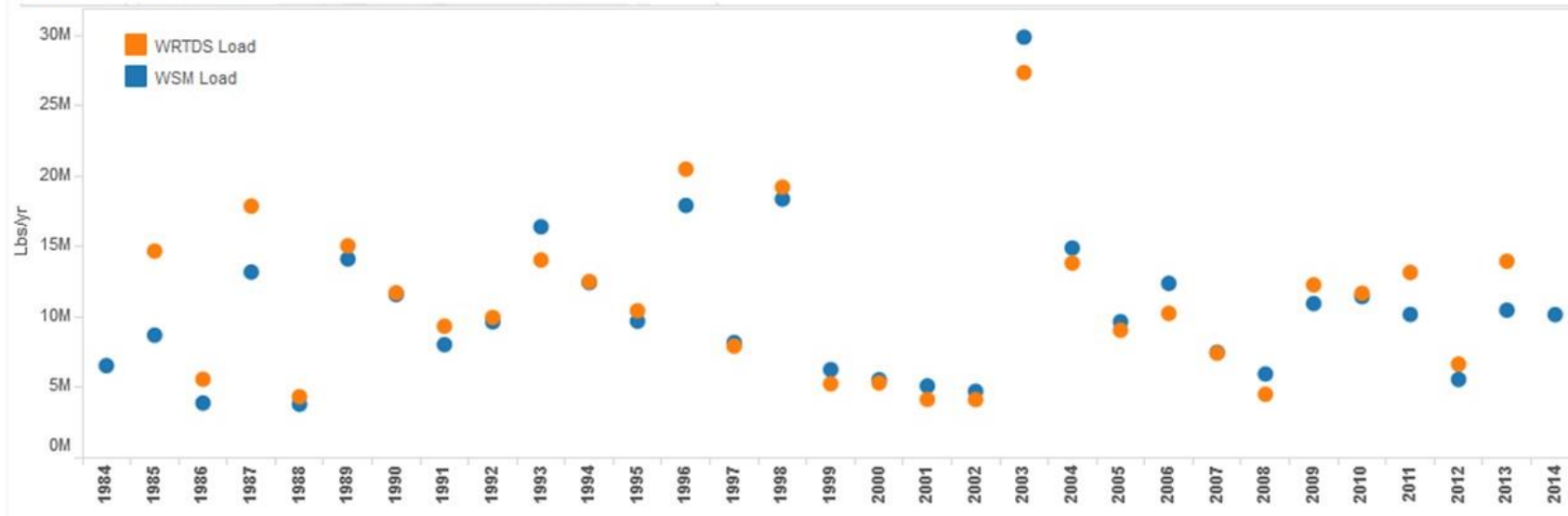
Non-tidal Stations



WRTDS/WSM Loads



WRTDS/WSM Loads



Beta 3 updates - August

- Overall Calibration Strategy
 - Examining assumptions throughout model
- Inputs
 - Update nutrient input data methods
 - Biosolids as a separate input
- Watershed representation
 - 8 new impoundments and reservoirs
 - rSAS model for simulating groundwater nitrate lags
- Scenarios – a few key scenarios

Beta 4 updates - December

- Overall Calibration Strategy
 - Examining assumptions throughout model
- Inputs
 - Updated nutrient inputs
 - Atmospheric deposition dataset
 - BMP history
 - BMP effects
- Watershed representation
 - Streambed and Shoreline loads
 - Representation of Conowingo
 - rSAS model for simulating groundwater nitrate lags
 - Updated Sparrow factors
- Scenarios – climate change

Phase 6 updates – April 2017

- Inputs
 - Land use

... and that's it

Review Strategy

- Read section 1 of the documentation to understand the overall structure
 - Determine the sections in the documentation that are most relevant to your work or interest in the Chesapeake Bay Program partnership.
- Review sections of interest to comment on
 - Quality of documentation
 - Overall concept used to calculate model values
 - Calculation methods used to determine model values
 - Data used
 - Long-term suggestions for future models.
- Review the calibration relative to concentrations and loads
 - Summary flow statistics
 - Summary of agreement between WRTDS and Phase 6 overall
 - Review particular stations of interest to your jurisdiction.
- Review scenarios (B3, B4)
 - Broad Scale – Relative ranking of scenarios
 - The aggregate effect of BMPs
 - The effects of inputs, such as land use, animal numbers, etc.

Evaluation Focus – Model Performance

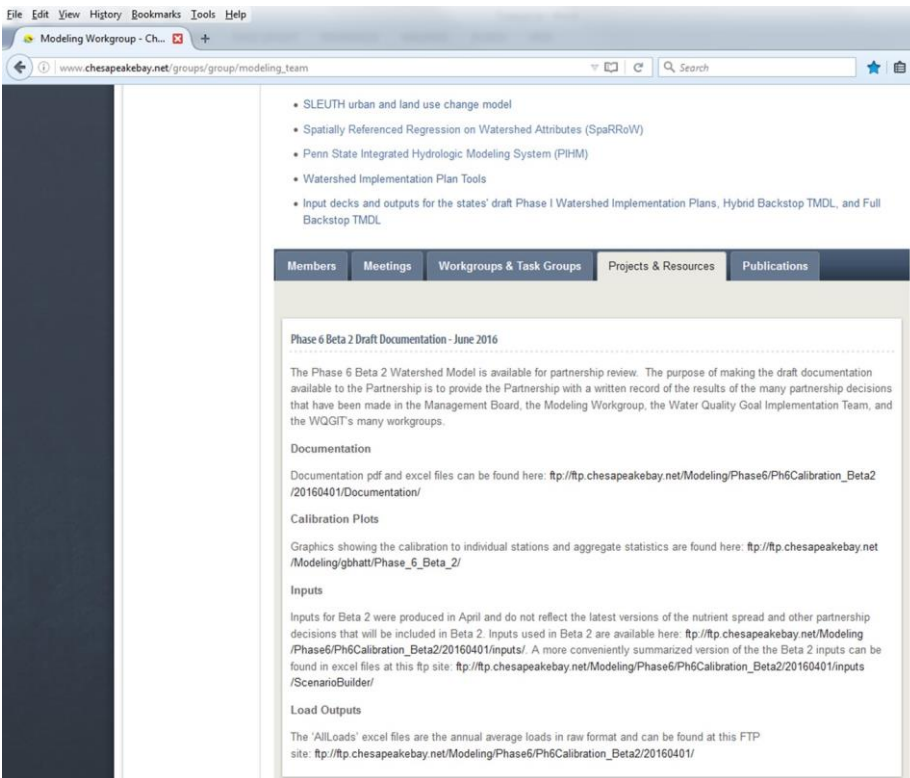
- Is the model simulating the processes correctly?
- Is the model performing reasonably with respect to observations?
 - RIM stations, large watersheds to smaller
 - Annual loads
 - Seasonal performance
 - B1 vs. P5, B2 vs. B1, B3 vs. B2.....
- Model trends vs observed trends
- How is the model performing in management scenarios?
 - Are BMPs reducing loads? sounds simple, but important
 - Do the ordinal ranking of scenarios make sense?
- Temperance, not perfect but reasonable

How to get more information

Modeling Workgroup website on Chesapeakebay.net

Scroll down to
'projects & resources' tab

Set up a state-specific meeting



Discussion.....